

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR CALIFORNIA COASTAL COMMISSION CONSULTANT SERVICES

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- Exhibit 1: Work Order
- Exhibit 2: County of Los Angeles Policy on Doing Business with Small Business
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1.0 INTRODUCTION**1.1 PURPOSE**

The Los Angeles County Department of Beaches and Harbors (Department) is seeking one or more qualified and experienced consultants/advocates to advocate, on an as-needed basis, the County's interests on matters pending or to be brought before the California Coastal Commission (CCC). The successful consultant(s)/advocate(s) will assist the County in relations with the CCC, its commissioners and staff, in achieving success in obtaining approvals relating to redevelopment efforts in Marina del Rey.

The County of Los Angeles is the fee title owner of approximately 400 acres of land and 400 acres of water in the unincorporated area of Marina del Rey, much of which is leased on a long-term basis to private developers. In 1996, the County obtained CCC approval of its amended Marina Local Coastal Program (LCP), and in 2011, the CCC approved the Major Amendment to the LCP, a plan to improve recreation, parks, boating, traffic congestion, and infrastructure in the next phase of redevelopment in Marina del Rey.

1.2 OVERVIEW OF SOLICITATION DOCUMENT

This Request for Proposals (RFP) is composed of the following parts:

- **INTRODUCTION:** Specifies the Proposer's minimum requirements, provides information regarding some of the requirements of the Contract and explains the solicitation process.
- **PROPOSAL SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS:** Contains instructions to Proposers on how to prepare and submit their proposal.
- **SELECTION PROCESS AND EVALUATION CRITERIA:** Explains how the proposals will be selected and evaluated.
- **ATTACHMENTS:** Terms and Conditions of the Sample Contract, Statement of Work and Performance Requirements Summary accompanying the Statement of Work and Transmittal to Request a Solicitation Requirements Review.
- **EXHIBITS:** Exhibits accompanying the Contract.

- **FORMS:** Forms contained in this Section must be completed and included in the proposal.

1.3 DEFINITIONS

The following words shall be construed to have the following meanings, unless otherwise apparent from the context in which they are used.

Board, Board of Supervisors – The Board of Supervisors of Los Angeles County.

Business Days - The Department's business days are Monday through Thursday, 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Chief Deputy – The Chief Deputy of the Department.

Contract – An agreement for performance of the work between the selected Proposer(s) and the County, approved by the Board of Supervisors.

Contract Administrator (CA) - The Chief of the Administrative Services Division of the Department or authorized designee.

Contract Year – The twelve-month period commencing on the effective date of the Contract and each succeeding twelve-month period over the remaining term of the Contract, including the optional years.

Contractor(s) – The Proposer(s) whose Proposal(s) is accepted by the Board of Supervisors for performance of the Contract work.

Contractor's Representative – The person designated by the Contractor to represent the Contractor in matters related to performance of the Contract.

County – The County of Los Angeles.

County Counsel – The Los Angeles County Office of the County Counsel.

Department – The Los Angeles County Department of Beaches and Harbors.

Director – The Director of the Department.

Evaluation Committee – The committee appointed by the Director to evaluate Proposals and to recommend a Proposer(s) as Contractor(s) pursuant to the RFP.

Offer to Perform – Form P-1 of the RFP.

Performance Standard – The essential terms and conditions for the performance of the Contract work as defined in the Contract.

Proposer – Any person or entity authorized to conduct business in California who submits a Proposal.

Request for Proposals (RFP) – All parts of this document, including attachments, exhibits and forms.

Statement of Work – Explains in detail the Work to be performed pursuant to the Contract.

Subcontractor – A person, partnership, company, corporation, or other organization furnishing supplies or services of any nature, equipment, or materials to the Contractor(s), at any tier, under oral or written agreement.

Work Order - An agreement subordinate to the Contract, incorporating all of its terms and conditions, by which the Contractor is authorized to perform a specific task (Exhibit 1).

1.4 MINIMUM MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS

Interested and qualified Proposers that can demonstrate their ability to successfully provide the required services outlined in *Attachment B, Statement of Work*, are invited to submit a proposal provided they meet the following requirements:

- Proposers and/or principal owners must have a minimum of five years' experience in consulting with public and private sector developers on CCC proceedings on Local Coastal Program Amendments and coastal permits;
- Proposers must demonstrate knowledge of the CCC, including CCC's history, governing law, regulations, staff and rulings;
- Proposer must complete and return Forms P-1 - P-19 with its proposal.

1.5 COUNTY RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

No oral amendments of the RFP are authorized and only the Director of the Department has the right to amend the RFP by written addendum. The County is responsible only for that which is expressly stated in the solicitation document and any authorized written addenda thereto. Such addendum shall be made available to each person or organization which the County records indicate has received this RFP. Should such addendum require additional information not previously requested, failure to address the requirements of such addendum may result in the Proposal not being considered, as determined in the sole discretion of the County. The County is not responsible for, and shall not be bound by, any representations otherwise made by any individual acting or purporting to act on its behalf.

1.6 DIRECTOR TO INTERPRET RFP

Should there be any uncertainty, ambiguity, or discrepancy in the terms of the RFP or any dispute about their meaning or applicability, the Director shall be consulted and will interpret them. The Director's interpretation shall be binding upon all parties. Should any Proposer rely on any uncertain or ambiguous provision of the RFP without referring the matter for resolution to the Director, the Proposer does so at his or her own risk.

1.7 CONTRACT TERM

It is anticipated that the Contract term to be recommended to the Board of Supervisors shall be for a period of three years with two one-year renewal options. Renewal options may be exercised at the sole discretion of the Director. In addition to such renewal option terms, the Director may extend the final Contract term on a month-to-month basis for up to six months, at his/her sole discretion. It is further anticipated that the Contract shall become effective on January 11, 2013.

1.8 CONTRACT RATES

The Contractor shall be paid an agreed-upon hourly rate for the Contract work. Proposers shall submit their proposed hourly rates on Form P-1, Page 2. The Contractor's rates shall remain firm and fixed for the term of the Contract and any options exercised.

1.9 AWARD OF WORK

The award of work for this Contract is on an as-needed basis only. Work on this Contract shall not commence unless authorized by the Director through the issuance of a Work Order (Exhibit 1). Neither the recommendation by the Department of a Contractor to perform as-needed services, nor the approval of a Contract by the Board of Supervisors with such Contractor, entitles any Contractor to compensation or any specific assignment.

1.10 CONTACT WITH COUNTY PERSONNEL

All contact regarding this RFP or any matter relating thereto must be in writing and may be mailed, e-mailed or faxed as follows:

Los Angeles County Department of Beaches and Harbors

Administrative Services Division

Attention: Nicolette Taylor, Contracts Analyst

13483 Fiji Way, Trailer 3

Marina del Rey, CA 90292

Ntaylor@bh.lacounty.gov

Fax: (310) 821-7856

If it is discovered that Proposer contacted and received information from any County personnel, other than the person specified above, regarding this solicitation, County, in its sole determination, may disqualify his or her proposal from further consideration.

1.11 FINAL CONTRACT AWARD BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Notwithstanding a recommendation by the Director or the Department, the Board of Supervisors retains the right to exercise its judgment concerning the selection of a proposal and the terms of any resultant agreement, and to determine which proposal best serves the interests of the County. The Board is the ultimate decision-making body and makes the final determination necessary to arrive at a decision to award, or not award, a Contract.

1.12 MANDATORY REQUIREMENT TO REGISTER ON COUNTY'S WEBVEN

Prior to a contract award, all potential Contractors must register in the County's WebVen. The WebVen contains the Vendor's business profile and identifies the goods/services the business provides. Registration can be accomplished online via the Internet by accessing the County's home page at http://doingbusiness.lacounty.gov/main_db.htm. *There is an underscore in the address between the words "main and db".*

1.13 COUNTY OPTION TO REJECT PROPOSALS

The County may, at its sole discretion, reject any or all proposals submitted in response to this RFP. The County shall not be liable for any costs incurred by the Proposer in connection with the preparation and submission of any proposal. The County reserves the right to waive inconsequential disparities in a submitted proposal.

1.14 PROTEST POLICY REVIEW PROCESS

1.14.1 Under Board Policy No. 5.055 (Services Contract Solicitation Protest) any prospective Proposer may request a review of the requirements under a solicitation for a Board-approved services Contract, as described in Section 1.14.3 below.

Additionally, any actual Proposer may request a review of a disqualification or of a proposed Contract award under such a solicitation, as described respectively in the Sections below. Under any such review,

it is the responsibility of the Proposer challenging the decision of a County Department to demonstrate that the Department committed a sufficiently material error in the solicitation process to justify invalidation of a solicitation or a proposed Contract award, as the case may be.

1.14.2 Throughout the review process, the County has no obligation to delay or otherwise postpone an award of Contract based on a Proposer protest. In all cases, the County reserves the right to make an award when it is determined to be in the best interest of the County of Los Angeles to do so.

1.14.3 Grounds for Review

Unless state or federal statutes or regulations otherwise provide, the grounds for review for any solicitation for a Board-approved services Contract provided for under Board Policy No. 5.055 (Services Contract Solicitation Protest) are limited to the following:

- Review of Solicitation Requirements (Reference Section 2.4 in the Proposal Submission Requirements Section)
- Review of a Disqualified Proposal (Reference Section 3.4 in the Selection Process and Evaluation Criteria Section)
- Review of Proposed Contractor Selection (Reference Section 3.8 in the Selection Process and Evaluation Criteria Section)

1.15 NOTICE TO PROPOSERS REGARDING THE PUBLIC RECORDS ACT

1.15.1 Responses to this solicitation shall become the exclusive property of the County. Absent extraordinary circumstances, at such time as (a) with respect to the recommended Proposer's proposal, the Department of Beaches and Harbors completes Contract negotiations and obtains a letter from an authorized officer of the recommended Proposer, which shall not be revoked by the recommended Proposer pending the Department's completion of the process under County Policy No. 5.055 and approval by the Board of Supervisors (Board) and (b) with respect to each Proposer requesting a County Review Panel, the County Review

Panel convenes as a result of such Proposers' request, and (c) with respect to all other Proposers, the Department of Beaches and Harbors recommends Proposer(s) to the Board and such recommendation appears on the Board agenda, proposals submitted in response to this solicitation become a matter of public record, with the exception of those parts of each proposal which are justifiably defined by the Proposer as business or trade secrets, and plainly marked as "Trade Secret", "Confidential", or "Proprietary."

1.15.2 The County shall not, in any way, be liable or responsible for the disclosure of any such record or any parts thereof, if disclosure is required or permitted under the California Public Records Act or otherwise by law. **A blanket statement of confidentiality or the marking of each page of the proposal as confidential shall not be deemed sufficient notice of exception.**

The Proposers must specifically label only those provisions of their respective bid/proposal which are "Trade Secrets," "Confidential," or "Proprietary" in nature.

1.16 INDEMNIFICATION AND INSURANCE

Contractor shall be required to comply with the indemnification provisions contained in *Attachment A, Sample Contract, Sub-paragraph 2.23*. The Contractor(s) shall procure, maintain, and provide to the County proof of insurance coverage for all the programs of insurance along with associated amounts specified in *Attachment A, Sample Contract, Sub-paragraphs 2.24 and 2.25*.

1.17 SPARTA PROGRAM

A County program, known as "SPARTA" (Service Providers, Artisan and Tradesman Activities) may be able to assist potential Contractors in obtaining affordable liability insurance. The SPARTA Program is administered by the County's insurance broker, Merriwether & Williams. For additional information,

proposers may call Merriwether & Williams toll free at (800) 420-0555 or can access their website directly at www.2sparta.com.

1.18 INJURY AND ILLNESS PREVENTION PROGRAM (IIPP)

Contractor shall be required to comply with the State of California's Cal OSHA'S regulations. Section 3203 of Title 8 in the California Code of Regulations requires all California employers to have a written, effective Injury and Illness Prevention Program (IIPP) that addresses hazards pertaining to the particular workplace covered by the program.

1.19 CONFIDENTIALITY AND INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR STATUS

As appropriate, Contractor shall be required to comply with the Confidentiality provision contained in *Sub-paragraph 1.6.3* and the Independent Contractor Status provision contained in *Sub-paragraph 2.22 in Attachment A, Sample Contract*.

1.20 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

No County employee whose position in the County enables him/her to influence the selection of a Contractor for this RFP, or any competing RFP, nor any spouse of economic dependent of such employees, shall be employed in any capacity by a Proposer or have any other direct or indirect financial interest in the selection of a Contractor. Proposer shall certify that he/she is aware of and has read Section 2.180.010 of the Los Angeles County Code as stated in *Form P-10, Certification of No Conflict of Interest*.

1.21 DETERMINATION OF PROPOSER RESPONSIBILITY

1.21.1 A responsible Proposer is a Proposer who has demonstrated the attribute of trustworthiness, as well as quality, fitness, capacity and experience to satisfactorily perform the Contract. It is the County's policy to conduct business only with responsible Proposers.

- 1.21.2** Proposers are hereby notified that, in accordance with Chapter 2.202 of the County Code, the County may determine whether the Proposer is responsible based on a review of the Proposer's performance on any contracts, including but not limited to County contracts. Particular attention will be given to violations of labor laws related to employee compensation and benefits, and evidence of false claims made by the Proposer against public entities. Labor law violations which are the fault of the subcontractors and of which the Proposer had no knowledge shall not be the basis of a determination that the Proposer is not responsible.
- 1.21.3** The County may declare a Proposer to be non-responsible for purposes of this Contract if the Board of Supervisors, in its discretion, finds that the Proposer has done any of the following: (1) violated a term of a contract with the County or a nonprofit corporation created by the County; (2) committed an act or omission which negatively reflects on the Proposer's quality, fitness or capacity to perform a contract with the County, any other public entity, or a nonprofit corporation created by the County, or engaged in a pattern or practice which negatively reflects on same; (3) committed an act or omission which indicates a lack of business integrity or business honesty; or (4) made or submitted a false claim against the County or any other public entity.
- 1.21.4** If there is evidence that the apparent highest ranked Proposer may not be responsible, the Department shall notify the Proposer in writing of the evidence relating to the Proposer's responsibility, and its intention to recommend to the Board of Supervisors that the Proposer be found not responsible. The Department shall provide the Proposer and/or the Proposer's representative with an opportunity to present evidence as to why the Proposer should be found to be responsible and to rebut evidence which is the basis for the Department's recommendation.
- 1.21.5** If the Proposer presents evidence in rebuttal to the Department, the Department shall evaluate the merits of such evidence, and based on that evaluation, make a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors. The

final decision concerning the responsibility of the Proposer shall reside with the Board of Supervisors.

1.21.6 These terms shall also apply to proposed subcontractors of Proposers on County contracts.

1.22 PROPOSER DEBARMENT

1.22.1 The Proposer is hereby notified that, in accordance with Chapter 2.202 of the County Code, the County may debar the Proposer from bidding or proposing on, or being awarded, and/or performing work on other County contracts for a specified period of time, which generally will not exceed five (5) years but may exceed five (5) years or be permanent if warranted by the circumstances, and the County may terminate any or all of the Proposer's existing contracts with County, if the Board of Supervisors finds, in its discretion, that the Proposer has done any of the following: (1) violated a term of a contract with the County or a nonprofit corporation created by the County; (2) committed an act or omission which negatively reflects on the Proposer's quality, fitness or capacity to perform a contract by the County, any other public entity, or a nonprofit corporation created by the County, or engaged in a pattern or practice which negatively reflects on same; (3) committed an act or offense which indicates a lack of business integrity or business honesty; or (4) made or submitted a false claim against the County or any other public entity.

1.22.2 If there is evidence that the apparent highest ranked Proposer may be subject to debarment, the Department shall notify the Proposer in writing of the evidence which is the basis for the proposed debarment, and shall advise the Proposer of the scheduled date for a debarment hearing before the Contractor Hearing Board.

1.22.3 The Contractor Hearing Board shall conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed debarment is presented. The Proposer and/or Proposer's representative shall be given an opportunity to submit evidence at that hearing. After the hearing, the Contractor Hearing Board shall prepare a

tentative proposed decision, which shall contain a recommendation regarding whether the Proposer should be debarred, and, if so, the appropriate length of time of the debarment. The Proposer and the Department shall be provided an opportunity to object to the tentative proposed decision prior to its presentation to the Board of Supervisors.

1.22.4 After consideration of any objections, or if no objections are received, a record of the hearing, the proposed decision and any other recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board shall be presented to the Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors shall have the right to modify, deny or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board.

1.22.5 If a Proposer has been debarred for a period longer than five (5) years, that Proposer may, after the debarment has been in effect for at least five (5) years, submit a written request for review of the debarment determination to reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment. The County may, in its discretion, reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment if it finds that the Proposer has adequately demonstrated one or more of the following: (1) elimination of the grounds for which the debarment was imposed; (2) a bona fide change in ownership or management; (3) material evidence discovered after debarment was imposed; or (4) any other reason that is in the best interest of the County.

1.22.6 The Contractor Hearing Board will consider requests for review of a debarment determination only where (1) the Proposer has been debarred for a period longer than five (5) years; (2) the debarment has been in effect for at least five (5) years; and (3) the request is in writing, states one or more of the grounds for reduction of the debarment period or termination of the debarment, and includes supporting documentation. Upon receiving an appropriate request, the Contractor Hearing Board will provide notice of the hearing on the request. At the hearing, the Contractor Hearing Board shall conduct a hearing where evidence on the

proposed reduction of debarment period or termination of debarment is presented. This hearing shall be conducted and the request for review decided by the Contractor Hearing Board pursuant to the same procedures as for a debarment hearing.

1.22.7 The Contractor Hearing Board's proposed decision shall contain a recommendation on the request to reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment. The Contractor Hearing Board shall present its proposed decision and recommendation to the Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors shall have the right to modify, deny, or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board.

1.22.8 These terms shall also apply to proposed subcontractors of Proposers on County contracts.

1.22.9 Exhibit 3 provides a link to the County's website where there is a listing of Contractors that are currently on the Debarment List for Los Angeles County.

1.23 PROPOSER'S ADHERENCE TO COUNTY'S CHILD SUPPORT COMPLIANCE PROGRAM

Proposers shall: (1) fully comply with all applicable State and Federal reporting requirements relating to employment reporting for its employees; and (2) comply with all lawfully served Wage and Earnings Assignment Orders and Notice of Assignment and continue to maintain compliance during the term of any contract that may be awarded pursuant to this solicitation. Failure to comply may be cause for termination of a contract or initiation of debarment proceedings against the non-compliance Contractor (County Code Chapter 2.202).

1.24 GRATUITIES

1.24.1 Attempt to Secure Favorable Treatment

It is improper for any County officer, employee or agent to solicit consideration, in any form, from a Proposer with the implication, suggestion or statement that the Proposer's provision of the consideration

may secure more favorable treatment for the Proposer in the award of the Contract or that the Proposer's failure to provide such consideration may negatively affect the County's consideration of the Proposer's submission. A Proposer shall not offer or give either directly or through an intermediary, consideration, in any form, to a County officer, employee or agent for the purpose of securing favorable treatment with respect to the award of the Contract.

1.24.2 Proposer Notification to County

A Proposer shall immediately report any attempt by a County officer, employee or agent to solicit such improper consideration.

The report shall be made either to the County manager charged with the supervision of the employee or to the County Auditor-Controller's Employee Fraud Hotline at (800) 544-6861. Failure to report such a solicitation may result in the Proposer's submission being eliminated from consideration.

1.24.3 Form of Improper Consideration

Among other items, such improper consideration may take the form of cash, discounts, services, the provision of travel or entertainment, or tangible gifts.

1.25 NOTICE TO PROPOSERS REGARDING THE COUNTY LOBBYIST ORDINANCE

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles has enacted an ordinance regulating the activities of persons who lobby County officials. This ordinance, referred to as the "Lobbyist Ordinance", defines a County Lobbyist and imposes certain registration requirements upon individuals meeting the definition. The complete text of the ordinance can be found in County Code Chapter 2.160. In effect, each person, corporation or other entity that seeks a County permit, license, franchise or contract must certify compliance with the ordinance. As part of this solicitation process, it will be the responsibility of each Proposer to review the ordinance independently as the text of said ordinance is not contained within this RFP. Thereafter, each person, corporation or other

Lobbyist, as defined by Los Angeles County Code Section 2.160.010, retained by the Proposer is in full compliance with Chapter 2.160 of the Los Angeles County Code and each such County Lobbyist is **not** on the Executive Office's List of Terminated Registered Lobbyists by completing and submitting the *Familiarity with the County Lobbyist Ordinance Certification*, as set forth in *Form P-12*, as part of their proposal.

1.26 FEDERAL EARNED INCOME CREDIT

The Contractor(s) shall notify its employees, and shall require each subcontractor to notify its employees, that they may be eligible for the Federal Earned Income Credit under the federal income tax laws. Such notice shall be provided in accordance with the requirements set forth in *Internal Revenue Service Notice No. 1015, Exhibit 5*.

1.27 CONSIDERATION OF GAIN/GROW PARTICIPANTS FOR EMPLOYMENT

As a threshold requirement for consideration for contract award, Proposers shall demonstrate a proven record of hiring participants in the County's Department of Public Social Services Greater Avenues for Independence (GAIN) or General Relief Opportunity for Work (GROW) Programs or shall attest to a willingness to consider GAIN/GROW participants for any future employment openings if they meet the minimum qualifications for that opening. Additionally, Proposers shall attest to a willingness to provide employed GAIN/GROW participants access to the Proposers' employee mentoring program, if available, to assist these individuals in obtaining permanent employment and/or promotional opportunities. Proposers who are unable to meet this requirement shall not be considered for contract award. Proposers shall complete and return the form, *Attestation of Willingness to Consider GAIN/GROW Participants*, as set forth in *Form P-11*, along with their proposal.

1.28 COUNTY'S QUALITY ASSURANCE PLAN

After contract award, the County or its agent will evaluate the Contractor's performance under the Contract on a periodic basis. Such evaluation will include assessing Contractor's compliance with all terms in the Contract and performance standards identified in the Statement of Work. Contractor's deficiencies which the County determines are severe or continuing and that may jeopardize performance of the Contract will be reported to the County's Board of Supervisors. The report will include improvement/corrective action measures taken by the County and Contractor. If improvement does not occur consistent with the corrective action measures, the County may terminate the Contract in whole or in part, or impose other penalties as specified in the Contract.

1.29 RECYCLED BOND PAPER

Proposer shall be required to comply with the County's policy on recycled bond paper as specified in *Attachment A, Sample Contract, Sub-paragraph 2.39*.

1.30 SAFELY SURRENDERED BABY LAW

The Contractor(s) shall notify and provide to its employees, and shall require each subcontractor to notify and provide to its employees, a fact sheet regarding the Safely Surrendered Baby Law, its implementation in Los Angeles County, and where and how to safely surrender a baby. The fact sheet is set forth in Exhibit 6 of this solicitation document and is also available on the Internet at www.babysafela.org for printing purposes.

1.31 COUNTY POLICY ON DOING BUSINESS WITH SMALL BUSINESS

1.31.1 The County has multiple programs that address small businesses. The Board of Supervisors encourages small business participation in the County's contracting process by constantly streamlining and simplifying our selection process and expanding opportunities for small businesses to compete for our business.

1.31.2 The Local Small Business Enterprise Preference Program requires the company to complete a certification process. This program and how to obtain certification are further explained in Sub-paragraph 1.33.

1.31.3 The Jury Service Program provides exceptions to the Program if a company qualifies as a Small Business. Further explanation of this Program is provided in Sub-paragraph 1.32, Jury Service Program.

1.31.4 The County also has a *Policy on Doing Business with Small Business* that is stated in *Exhibit 2*.

1.32 JURY SERVICE PROGRAM

The prospective Contract is subject to the requirements of the County's Contractor Employee Jury Service Ordinance ("Jury Service Program") (Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.203). Prospective Contractors should carefully read the *Jury Service Ordinance, Exhibit 4*, and the pertinent jury service provisions of the *Sample Contract, Attachment A, Sub-paragraph 2.8*, both of which are incorporated by reference into and made a part of this RFP. The Jury Service Program applies to both Contractors and their Subcontractors.

Proposals that fail to comply with the requirements of the Jury Service Program will be considered non-responsive and excluded from further consideration.

1.32.1 The Jury Service Program requires Contractors and their Subcontractors to have and adhere to a written policy that provides that its employees shall receive from the Contractor, on an annual basis, no less than five days of regular pay for actual jury service. The policy may provide that employees deposit any fees received for such jury service with the Contractor or that the Contractor deduct from the employee's regular pay the fees received for jury service. For purposes of the Jury Service Program, "employee" means any California resident who is a full-time employee of a Contractor and "full-time" means 40 hours or more worked per week, or a lesser number of hours if: 1) the lesser number is a recognized industry standard as determined by the County, or 2) the Contractor has a long-standing practice that defines the lesser number of

hours as full-time. Therefore, the Jury Service Program applies to all of a Contractor's full-time California employees, even those not working specifically on the County project. Full-time employees providing short-term, temporary services of 90 days or less within a 12-month period are not considered full-time for purposes of the Jury Service Program.

1.32.2 There are two ways in which a Contractor might not be subject to the Jury Service Program. The first is if the Contractor does not fall within the Jury Service Program's definition of "Contractor". The Jury Service Program defines "Contractor" to mean a person, partnership, corporation or other entity which has a contract with the County or a Subcontract with a County Contractor and has received or will receive an aggregate sum of \$50,000 or more in any 12-month period under one or more County contracts or subcontracts. The second is if the Contractor meets one of the two exceptions to the Jury Service Program. The first exception concerns small businesses and applies to Contractors that have 1) ten or fewer employees; and, 2) annual gross revenues in the preceding twelve months which, if added to the annual amount of this Contract is less than \$500,000, and, 3) is not an "affiliate or subsidiary or a business dominant in its field of operation." The second exception applies to Contractors that possess a collective bargaining agreement that expressly supersedes the provisions of the Jury Service Program. The Contractor is subject to any provision of the Jury Service Program not expressly superseded by the collective bargaining agreement.

1.32.3 If a Contractor does not fall within the Jury Service Program's definition of "Contractor" or if it meets any of the exceptions to the Jury Service Program, then the Contractor must so indicate in the *Certification Form and Application for Exception, Form P-9*, and include with its submission all necessary documentation to support the claim such as tax returns or a collective bargaining agreement, if applicable. Upon reviewing the Contractor's application, the County will determine, in its sole discretion, whether the Contractor falls within the definition of Contractor or meets

any of the exceptions to the Jury Service Program. The County's decision will be final.

1.33 LOCAL SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PREFERENCE PROGRAM

- 1.33.1** The County will give Local SBE preference during the solicitation process to businesses that meet the definition of a Local Small Business Enterprise (Local SBE), consistent with Chapter 2.204.030C.1 of the Los Angeles County Code. A Local SBE is defined as: 1) A business certified by the State of California as a small business and 2) has had its principal office located in Los Angeles County for at least one year. The business must be certified by the Internal Services Department as meeting the requirements set forth in 1 and 2 above prior to requesting the Local SBE Preference in a solicitation.
- 1.33.2** To apply for certification as a Local SBE, businesses may register with the Internal Services Department at <http://laosb.org>
- 1.33.3** Certified Local SBEs must request the SBE Preference in their solicitation responses and may not request the preference unless the certification process has been completed and certification affirmed. Businesses must attach the Local SBE Certification Letter to the Required Form – *Request for Local SBE Preference Program Consideration and CBE Firm/Organization Information Form, Form P-14* with their proposal. Sanctions and financial penalties may apply to a business that knowingly, and with intent to defraud, seeks to obtain or maintain certification as a certified Local SBE.
- 1.33.4** Information about the State's small business enterprise certification regulations is in the California Code of Regulations, Title 2, Subchapter 8, Section 1896 et seq., and is also available on the California Department of General Services Office of Small Business Certification and Resources Web site at: <http://www.pd.dgs.ca.gov/sybus/default>.

1.34 LOCAL SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (SBE) PROMPT PAYMENT

It is the intent of the County that Certified Local SBEs receive prompt payment for services they provide to County Departments. Prompt payment is defined as 15 calendar days after receipt of an undisputed invoice.

1.35 NOTIFICATION TO COUNTY OF PENDING ACQUISITIONS/MERGERS BY PROPOSING COMPANY

The Proposer shall notify the County of any pending acquisitions/mergers of their company. This information shall be provided by the Proposer on *Form P-2, Proposer's Organization Questionnaire/Affidavit*. Failure of the Proposer to provide this information may eliminate its proposal from any further consideration.

1.36 TRANSITIONAL JOB OPPORTUNITIES PREFERENCE PROGRAM

1.36.1 In evaluating proposals, the County will give preference to businesses that are certified by the County as Transitional Job Opportunity vendors, consistent with Chapter 2.205 of the Los Angeles County Code. A Certified Transitional Job Opportunity vendor is, and has been such for three (3) years, an entity: 1) that is a non-profit organization recognized as tax exempt pursuant to section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Services Code; set forth, under penalty of perjury, such information as requested by the County on either electronic or hard copy forms, along with their application form and three most recent annual tax returns to the Department with their proposal response to the contracting solicitation for which they are competing; 2) has been in operation for at least one year providing transitional job and the related supportive services to program participants; and 3) provide a profile of their program with a description of their program components designed to assist program participants, number of past program participants, and any other information requested by a contracting department.

1.36.2 Transitional Job Opportunities vendors must request the preference in their solicitation response and may not receive the preference until their certification has been affirmed by the applicable department. County must verify the Transitional Job Opportunity vendor certification prior to applying the preference. Sanctions and financial penalties may apply to a Proposer that knowingly and with intent to defraud seeks to obtain or maintain certification as a Transitional Job Opportunities vendor.

1.36.3 To request the Transitional Job Opportunities Preference, Proposer must complete the *Transitional Job Opportunities Preference Application – Form P-15* and submit it along with all supporting documentation with their proposal.

1.37 DEFAULTED PROPERTY TAX REDUCTION PROGRAM

The prospective contract is subject to the requirements of the County’s Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program (“Defaulted Tax Program”) (Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.206). Prospective Contractors should carefully read the *Defaulted Tax Program Ordinance, Exhibit 8*, and the pertinent provisions of the *Sample Contract, Appendix A, Sub-paragraph 2.42 and 2.52*, both of which are incorporated by reference into and made a part of this solicitation. The Defaulted Tax Program applies to both Contractors and their Subcontractors.

Proposers shall be required to certify that they are in full compliance with the provisions of the Defaulted Tax Program and shall maintain compliance during the term of any contract that may be awarded pursuant to this solicitation or shall certify that they are exempt from the Defaulted Tax Program by completing *Certification of Compliance with the County’s Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program, Form P-16*. Failure to maintain compliance, or to timely cure defects, may be cause for termination of a contract or initiation of debarment proceedings against the non-compliance contractor (Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.202).

Proposals that fail to comply with the certification requirements of the Defaulted Tax Program will be considered non-responsive and excluded from further consideration.

2.0 PROPOSAL SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

This Section contains key project dates and activities as well as instructions to Proposers in how to prepare and submit their proposal.

2.1 COUNTY RESPONSIBILITY

The County is not responsible for representations made by any of its officers or employees prior to the execution of the Contract unless such understanding or representation is included in the Contract.

2.2 TRUTH AND ACCURACY OF REPRESENTATIONS

False, misleading, incomplete or deceptively unresponsive statements in connection with a proposal shall be sufficient cause for rejection of the proposal. The evaluation and determination in this area shall be at the Director's sole judgment and his/her judgment shall be final.

2.3 RFP TIMETABLE

The timetable for this RFP is as follows:

- Release of RFP.....**May 3, 2012**
- Request for a Solicitation Requirements Review Due.....**May 17, 2012**
- Written Questions Due.....**May 16, 2012**
- Proposers Conference.....**May 16, 2012**
- Questions and Answers Released.....**May 21, 2012**

Proposals Due by June 7, 2012, 2:00 p.m., Pacific Standard Time

2.4 SOLICITATION REQUIREMENTS REVIEW

Any person or entity may seek a Solicitation Requirements Review by submitting Attachment C, Transmittal Form to Request a Solicitation Requirements Review to the Department conducting the solicitation as described in this Section. A request for a Solicitation Requirements Review may be denied, in the Department's sole discretion, if the request does not satisfy all of the following criteria:

1. The request for a Solicitation Requirements Review is made within ten business days of the issuance of the solicitation document;
2. The request for a Solicitation Requirements Review includes documentation, which demonstrates the underlying ability of the person or entity to submit a proposal;
3. The request for a Solicitation Requirements Review itemizes in appropriate detail, each matter contested and factual reasons for the requested review; and
4. The request for a Solicitation Requirements Review asserts either that:
 - a. application of the minimum requirements, evaluation criteria and/or business requirements unfairly disadvantages the person or entity; or,
 - b. due to unclear instructions, the process may result in the County not receiving the best possible responses from prospective Proposers.

The Solicitation Requirements Review shall be completed and the Department's determination shall be provided to the requesting person or entity, in writing, within a reasonable time prior to the proposal due date. All Requests for Review should be submitted to:

Los Angeles County Department of Beaches and Harbors
Administrative Services Division
Attention: Brad Fleischer, Division Chief
13483 Fiji Way, Trailer 3
Marina del Rey, CA 90292
Fax: (310) 821-8155

2.5 PROPOSERS' QUESTIONS

Proposers may submit written questions regarding this RFP by mail, fax or e-mail to the individual identified below.

All questions must be received by **May 16, 2012**. All questions, without identifying the submitting company, will be compiled with the appropriate answers and issued as an addendum to the RFP.

When submitting questions please specify the RFP section number, paragraph number, and page number and quote the language that prompted the question. This will ensure that the question can be quickly found in the RFP. County reserves the right to group similar questions when providing answers.

Questions may address concerns that the application of minimum requirements, evaluation criteria and/or business requirements would unfairly disadvantage Proposers or, due to unclear instructions, may result in the County not receiving the best possible responses from Proposer. Questions should be addressed to:

Los Angeles County Department of Beaches and Harbors

Administrative Services Division

Attention: Nicolette Taylor, Contracts Analyst

13483 Fiji Way, Trailer 3

Marina del Rey, CA 90292

Fax: (310) 821-7856

Email: Ntaylor@bh.lacounty.gov

2.6 PROPOSERS' CONFERENCE

On May 16, 2012, at 10:00 a.m., a Proposers Conference will be held at the Dockweiler Youth Center, 12505 Vista del Mar, Los Angeles, CA 90245. Attendance is not mandatory. However, the meeting will be the last opportunity to ask specific questions about the RFP, and all prospective proposers are highly encouraged to attend.

All persons/entities planning to submit a Proposal should read the RFP before attending the meeting. Questions and answers from the meeting will be distributed to all persons who obtained a copy of the RFP from the Department as well as those present at the meeting. The County will not be able to respond to questions raised after the meeting.

2.7 PROPOSALS IRREVOCABLE FOR 180 DAYS

All Proposals shall be firm and may not be revoked for a period of 180 days following the final date for submission. The Proposal price must accurately reflect the cost of performing the Contract work in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Contract. However, the Director may, upon written request, permit withdrawal of a Proposal at his sole discretion.

2.8 PROPOSAL SUBMISSION

THE DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF PROPOSALS IS June 7, 2012, 2:00 p.m.

Proposals must be received at the address listed below by the deadline date and time. Postmarks will be disregarded. Proposals are mailed at the Proposer's risk. One original and five copies, each securely bound or stapled and enclosed in a sealed envelope or box, must be delivered to:

Administrative Services Division
Attention: Nicolette Taylor, Contracts Analyst
13837 Fiji Way
Marina del Rey, CA 90292

California Coastal Commission Consultant Services RFP

It is the sole responsibility of the submitting Proposer to ensure that its Proposal is received before the submission deadline. Submitting Proposers shall bear all risks associated with delays in delivery by any person or entity, including the U.S. Mail. Any Proposals received after the scheduled closing date and time for receipt of Proposals, as listed in Sub-paragraph 2.3, RFP Timetable, will not be accepted and will be returned to the sender unopened. No facsimile (fax) or electronic mail (e-mail) copies will be accepted.

2.9 REQUIRED FORMAT AND CONTENT OF PROPOSAL

Proposals shall be developed according to the guidelines set forth in this Section. The Proposals must be specific and complete in every detail. Failure of a Proposal to conform to these requirements may result in its rejection. All

Proposals and documents shall be written in the English language and prepared using at least a 10 point font.

The Proposal must include the following, in the following sequence:

2.9.1 Cover Page

Proposer shall identify the Request for Proposal by title, firm's name and address, and the name, telephone number, fax number, and e-mail address of the person authorized to make representations for the Proposer and commit the Proposer to a Contract.

2.9.2 Executive Summary

Proposer shall provide a summary of its Proposal including a broad understanding of the Proposer's approach, qualifications, experience and staffing.

2.9.3 Table of Contents

List all material included in the Proposal. Include a clear definition of the material, identified by sequential page numbers and by section reference numbers.

2.9.4 Forms:

1. Offer to Perform - Form P-1

Complete and sign the Offer to Perform (Form P-1). Proposer shall submit hourly rates providing consulting services as identified on Form P-1. Hourly billing rates submitted shall include one fixed rate (not a range) and shall include the hourly rate charged by the firm's Principal. The hourly fixed rates shall provide full compensation to the Contractor(s) including any benefits, direct and indirect costs, overhead, profit and support staff costs. It is the responsibility of the Proposer in calculating the proposal price to take into consideration the possible escalation of wages, material and other costs during the Contract term.

The Offer to Perform shall: (1) state whether the Proposer is an individual proprietor, partnership, joint venture, corporation, limited liability company or other form of entity; (2) identify persons authorized

to accept service of legal process in California; and (3) identify the name, title, address and telephone number of each person who is authorized to bind the Proposer to performance of the Contract work.

The Offer to Perform shall be signed as follows:

- If an individual or sole proprietor, by the individual owner;
- If a corporation, by two authorized officers;
- If a partnership, by an authorized general partner;
- If a joint venture, by all joint ventures; and
- If a limited liability company, by the managing member or other person(s) specifically authorized by the operating agreement.

2. Proposer's Organization Questionnaire/Affidavit - Form P-2

The Proposer shall complete, sign and date the Proposer's Organization Questionnaire/Affidavit (Form P-2). **The person signing the form must be authorized to sign on behalf of the Proposer and to bind the applicant in a Contract.**

Taking into account the structure of the Proposer's organization, Proposer shall determine which of the below referenced supporting documents the County requires. If the Proposer's organization does not fit into one of these categories, upon receipt of the Proposal or at some later time, the County may, in its discretion, request additional documentation regarding the Proposer's business organization and authority of individuals to sign Contracts.

If the below referenced documents are not available at the time of Proposal submission, Proposers must request the appropriate documents from the California Secretary of State and provide a statement on the status of the request.

Required Support Documents:

Corporations or Limited Liability Company (LLC):

The Proposer must submit the following documentation with the Proposal:

(1) A copy of a “Certificate of Good Standing” with the state of incorporation/organization.

(2) A conformed copy of the most recent “Statement of Information” as filed with the California Secretary of State listing corporate officers or members and managers.

Limited Partnership:

The Proposer must submit a conformed copy of the Certificate of Limited Partnership or Application for Registration of Foreign Limited Partnership as filed with the California Secretary of State, and any amendments.

Pending Litigation and Judgments:

Identify by name, case and court jurisdiction any pending litigation in which Proposer is involved, or judgments against Proposer in the past five years. Provide a statement describing the size and scope of any pending or threatening litigation against the Proposer or principals of the Proposer.

3. Prospective Contractor List of Contracts - Form P-3

Complete the Prospective Contractor List of Contracts (Form P-3). The listing must include all contracts with public entities for the last three years. Use additional sheets if necessary.

4. Prospective Contractor List of Terminated Contracts - Form P-4

Complete the Prospective Contractor List of Terminated Contracts (Form P-4). The listing must include contracts terminated within the past three years with a reason for the termination.

5. Business and Financial Summary - Form P-5

Complete and sign the Business and Financial Summary (Form P-5). False statements may be cause for disqualification or debarment. The submission of financial statements and client credit references shall constitute permission by the Proposer for the Department to check, verify, and have certified all information contained in such statements.

The following information must be attached:

PROPOSAL SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Summary of relevant background and experience;
- Experience demonstrating at least five years' experience in consulting with public and private sector developers on CCC proceedings on Local Coastal Program Amendments and coastal permits;
- Proposer shall submit, at a minimum, five references of contracts/assignments currently being performed or which have been completed in the last five years. It is the Proposer's sole responsibility to ensure that the firm's name and point of contract's name, title and phone number for each reference is accurate. Proposer's references listed on Form P-5 will be evaluated based on the information provided by the telephone contact. The following factors will negatively impact a Proposal's reference score:
 - References that fail to substantiate Proposer's description of the services provided;
 - References that fail to support that Proposer has a continuing pattern of providing capable, productive and skilled services;
 - The Department is unable to reach the point of contact with reasonable effort (8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday). It is the Proposer's sole responsibility to inform the point of contact of the working hours when the reference checks will occur.
- Proposer's qualifications providing the Contract work, including:
 - Proposer's written description of one or more specific issues involving the CCC in which Proposer played a key role, including a description of the issue, strategy used to address the CCC's interests, recommendations and result of the issue(s);
 - Proposer's knowledge of the CCC, including history of the CCC, governing law, regulations, staff and rulings;

- Proposer's experience in working with key representatives and members of the CCC.
- Number of full-time workers employed;
- Description of size and organizational structure;
- A minimum of three credit references or financial references, giving names, addresses and telephone numbers; and
- Evidence of insurability (a letter of commitment; binder or certificate of current insurance coverage) from an insurance company setting forth coverage meeting the limits and other requirements of Section 2.25 of Attachment A, Sample Contract.

6. Staffing and Work Plan - Form P-6

Submit a Staffing and Work Plan (Form P-6) consistent with the Contract work describing:

- A comprehensive listing of the Proposer and other staff involved with providing California Coastal Commission consultant services, including job titles, experience and specific duties;
- Resumes of the firm's principal(s), proposed Contract Representative (as that position is defined in Attachment B, Statement of Work, 5.2), and other key individuals on Proposer's staff, stating their professional training and specific related experience;
- Principal's owner name and title of the Proposer's organization;
- Identity of all partners/subcontractors who will be performing work on the Contract;
- Identity of additional employees who will be performing work on the Contract;
- How the Proposer will perform the Contract work. A narrative discussion of the Proposer's approach to duties and tasks described in Attachment B, Statement of Work, including, but not limited to:

- Proposer's approach to providing consultant services on environmental issues pertaining specifically to beach and marina regions; and
- Proposer's ability to advocate for the Department providing expert testimony on CCC related issues at arbitration or other judicial proceedings.

7. Quality Control Plan - Form P-7

Proposer shall complete a comprehensive Quality Control Plan (Form P-7) to be utilized by the Proposer as a self-monitoring tool to ensure the required services are provided as specified in Attachment B, Statement of Work and Attachment B-1, Performance Requirements Summary Chart. Failure to submit or fully complete Form P-7 may be grounds for rejection of the Proposal.

8. Proposer's EEO Certification - Form P-8

The Proposer shall complete and sign the Proposer's Certification (Form P-8) and submit it as part of the Proposal. Failure to submit Form P-8 may be grounds for disqualification.

9. Contractor Employee Jury Service Program Certification Form and Application for Exemption - Form P-9

Proposer shall complete and sign the Contractor Employee Jury Service Program Certification Form and Application for Exemption (Form P-9). Failure to submit or fully complete Form P-9 may be grounds for disqualification.

10. Certification of No Conflict of Interest - Form P-10

Proposer shall complete and sign the Certification of No Conflict of Interest Form (Form P-10). Failure to submit or fully complete Form P-10 may be grounds for disqualification.

11. Attestation of Willingness to Consider GAIN/GROW Participants - Form P-11

Proposer's shall complete and sign the Attestation of Willingness to Consider GAIN/GROW Participants Form (Form P-11). Failure to

submit or fully complete Form P-11 may be grounds for disqualification.

12. Familiarity with the County Lobbyist Ordinance Certification - Form P-12

Proposer shall complete and sign the Familiarity with the County Lobbyist Ordinance Certification (Form P-12). Failure to submit or fully complete Form P-12 may be grounds for disqualification.

13. Certification of Independent Price Determination & Acknowledgment of RFP Restrictions - Form P-13

Proposer shall complete and sign Certification of Independent Price Determination & Acknowledgment of RFP Restrictions (Form P-13). Failure to submit or fully complete Form P-13 may be grounds for disqualification.

14. Request for Local SBE Preference Program Consideration and CBE Firm/Organization Information Form - Form P-14

The Proposer shall complete and sign the Request for Local SBE Preference Program Consideration and CBE Firm/Organization Information Form (Form P-14). Failure to submit or fully complete Form P-14 may be grounds for disqualification.

15. Transitional Job Opportunities Preference Application (If Applicable) - Form P-15

Complete the Transitional Job Opportunities Preference Application (if applicable) and provide all supporting documents.

16. Certification of Compliance with the County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program - Form P-16

Proposer shall complete and return the Certification of Compliance with the County's Defaulted Tax Reduction Program. Failure to submit or fully complete Form P-16 may be grounds for disqualification.

17. Contractor's Administration - Form P-17

The Proposer shall complete Contractor's Administration, Form P-17, and designate the Contractor's Representative, who shall be

responsible for overall management and coordination of Contract work and any authorized officials of the Contractor.

18. Proposer's Green Initiatives - Form P-18

Using Form P-18, Proposer shall present a description of its proposed plan for complying with the green requirements as described in Section 8.0 of the Statement of Work. Describe Proposer's current environmental policies and practices and those proposed to be implemented.

19. RFP Exception Form - Form P-19

Using Form P-19, the Proposer may provide for any exceptions to the stated terms, conditions and requirements. The County reserves the right to determine if Proposer's exceptions are material enough to deem the proposal non-responsive and not subject to further evaluation. The County reserves the right to make changes to the RFP, its attachments, Exhibits and Forms at its sole discretion.

2.10 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Proposers may attach to their Proposals any information that would aid the Evaluation Committee in making a recommendation. Additional information may also be requested by the Evaluation Committee to clarify information already submitted to help evaluate the Proposer's qualifications to perform the Contract work.

2.11 PROPOSALS MUST FOLLOW REQUIRED FORMAT

Proposals must respond specifically to all elements of the RFP. The content and sequence of Proposals must follow the "Required Format and Content of Proposal" above. Failure of the Proposal to conform to these requirements may, at the County's sole discretion, disqualify the Proposal from consideration.

3.0 SELECTION PROCESS AND EVALUATION CRITERIA

3.1 SELECTION PROCESS

The County reserves the sole right to judge the contents of the Proposals submitted pursuant to this RFP and to review, evaluate and select the successful proposal(s). The selection process will begin with receipt of the proposal on June 7, 2012.

Evaluation of the proposals will be made by an Evaluation Committee selected by the Department. The Committee will evaluate the proposals and will use the evaluation approach described herein to select a prospective Contractor. All proposals will be evaluated based on the criteria listed below. All proposals will be scored and ranked in numerical sequence from high to low. The Evaluation Committee may utilize the services of appropriate experts to assist in this evaluation. At the County's discretion, additional information may be requested from Proposers to clarify and explain Proposals.

The County, at its option, may invite Proposers to make an oral presentation to the Committee or to conduct a site visit with the Committee as a further means of clarifying information submitted in the Proposals. While there will be no additional points awarded for an oral presentation or site visit, it is possible that evaluators, in their sole discretion, may chose to alter scores based on the clarifying information, and prior to the finalization of any such scores(s).

The Evaluation Committee, or any of its members, may also question a Proposer about the Proposer's experience, past performance, financial stability, ability to perform on schedule and any other matter that may reasonably relate to the Proposer's qualifications to perform the Contract work. In the County's sole discretion, the failure of a Proposer to promptly respond to any such inquiry may be deemed grounds for rejection of the Proposal.

After a prospective Contractor has been selected, the County and the prospective Contractor will negotiate a Contract for submission to the Board of Supervisors for its consideration and possible approval. If a satisfactory Contract cannot be negotiated, the County may, at its sole discretion, begin contract negotiations with the next qualified Proposer who submitted a proposal, as

determined by the County. The recommendation to award a Contract will not bind the Board of Supervisors to award a Contract to the prospective Contractor. The County retains the right to select a Proposal other than the Proposal receiving the highest number of points if County determines, in its sole discretion, another Proposal is the most overall qualified, cost-effective, responsive, responsible and in the best interests of the County.

3.2 EXECUTION BY SELECTED PROPOSER

The Contract shall be executed first by the Proposer whose Proposal is selected by the Director for recommended acceptance by the County. The Proposer's failure to execute and return the Contract to the Director within five days after its receipt, or such longer times as the Director may allow, shall be deemed to be a refusal to enter the Contract, and the Director, in his sole discretion, may either reject all other Proposals or recommend any other responsive and responsible Proposal for acceptance, based on his own evaluation or negotiation with the remaining Proposers.

3.3 ADHERENCE TO MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS (Pass/Fail)

County shall review the Proposer's Organization Questionnaire/Affidavit, Form P-2, and determine if Proposer meets the minimum requirements as outlined in the Minimum Mandatory Requirements as outlined in Sub-paragraph 1.4 of this RFP. Failure of the Proposer to comply with the minimum requirements may eliminate this proposal from any further consideration. The County, in its sole discretion, may elect to waive any informality in a proposal if the sum and substance of the Proposal is present.

3.4 DISQUALIFICATION REVIEW

A proposal may be disqualified from consideration because a Department determined it was non-responsive at any time during the review/evaluation process. If a Department determines that a proposal is disqualified due to non-responsiveness, the Department shall notify the Proposer in writing.

Upon receipt of the written determination of non-responsiveness, the Proposer may submit a written request for a Disqualification Review within the timeframe specified in the written determination. A request for a Disqualification Review may, in the Department's sole discretion, be denied if the request does not satisfy all of the following criteria:

1. The person or entity requesting a Disqualification Review is a Proposer;
2. The request for a Disqualification Review is submitted timely (i.e., by the date and time specified in the written determination); and
3. The request for a Disqualification Review asserts that the Department's determination of disqualification due to non-responsiveness was erroneous (e.g., factual errors, etc.) and provides factual support on each ground asserted as well as copies of all documents and other material that support the assertions.

The Disqualification Review shall be completed and the determination shall be provided to the requesting Proposer, in writing, prior to the conclusion of the evaluation process.

3.5 EVALUATION SCORING

The Evaluation Committee will rate Proposals on a point system, subject to the County's right to disqualify incomplete and inadequate Proposals. Scoring will be based on information received from the Proposers. The Evaluation Committee will award the number of points it deems fair and appropriate within the range of possible scores for each scoring category and will assign a composite to each qualifying Proposal based upon the following weighted criteria:

Experience, Qualifications and Organizational Resources - 40 percent

Proposal Price - 30 percent

Approach to Contract Requirements - 30 percent

3.6 ITEMS CONSIDERED BY EVALUATORS

In determining how well Proposals meet these criteria, the Evaluation Committee will consider the following items (but may also consider others):

1. Proposer's Experience, Qualifications and Organizational Resources

A maximum score of 400 points is possible for this category. Evaluators will consider the qualifications of Proposer based on Proposer's background and experience; performance history analysis of Proposer; the Proposer's demonstrated knowledge and experience in matters relating to the CCC; stability; ability to meet obligations; resources to meet increased payroll, supplies and other expenses required by the Contract; and ability to fulfill a broad range of assignments based on:

- Recent experience providing consulting services in matters before the CCC;
- Nature, size, scope and outcome of past and current projects;
- Credit references;
- References provided for contracts currently being performed or which have been completed;
- In addition to the references provided, a review will include the County's Contract Database and Contractor Alert Reporting Database, if applicable, reflecting past performance history on County or other contracts. This review may result in point deductions up to 100% of the total points awarded in this evaluation category. Additionally, a review of terminated contacts will be conducted which may result in point deductions; and
- A review will be conducted to determine the significance of any litigation or judgments pending against the Proposer as provided in Section 2.9.4 of the RFP.

2. Price

A maximum score of 300 points is possible for this category. The Proposer's hourly rate for the firm's Principal, as quoted on Form P-1, will be evaluated with the maximum number of possible points awarded to the lowest hourly rate submitted for this position. All other proposals will be compared to the lowest hourly rate for the Principal position and points awarded accordingly.

However, should one or more of the Proposers request and be granted the Local SBE and/or Transitional Job Opportunities Preferences, the cost component points will be determined as follows:

Local SBE Preference: Eight percent (8%) of the lowest cost proposed will be calculated, which shall not exceed \$50,000, and that amount will be deducted from the Cost submitted by all Local SBE Proposers who requested and were granted the Local SBE Preference.

Transitional Job Opportunities Preference: Five percent (5%) of the lowest cost proposed will be calculated and that amount will be deducted from the Cost submitted by all Proposers who requested and were granted the Transitional Job Opportunities Preference.

3. Approach to Contract Requirements

A maximum score of 300 points is possible for this category. Evaluators will consider the experience and depth of Proposer and its staff; Proposer's proposed approach to the Contract work; monitoring compliance and procedures; Proposer's process of managing internal controls and its response to the Department's complaints or requests regarding work performance based on Proposer's Staffing and Work Plan (Form P-6) and Proposer's Quality Control Plan (Form P-7).

3.7 SUPPLEMENTAL DOCUMENTS

Within fifteen days after acceptance of its Proposal by the Board of Supervisors, or before the starting date of the Contract, whichever comes first, the selected Proposer shall provide the Contract Administrator with satisfactory written proof of insurance complying with Section 2.25 of the Attachment A, Sample Contract.

3.8 DEPARTMENT'S PROPOSED CONTRACTOR SELECTION REVIEW

3.8.1 Departmental Debriefing Process

Upon completion of the evaluation, the Department shall notify the remaining Proposers in writing that the Department is entering negotiations with another Proposer. Upon receipt of the letter, any non-selected Proposer may submit a written request for a Debriefing within the timeframe specified in the letter. A request for a Debriefing may, in the Department's sole discretion, be denied if the request is not received within the specified timeframe.

The purpose of the Debriefing is to compare the requesting Proposer's response to the solicitation document with the evaluation document. The requesting Proposer shall be debriefed only on its response. Because contract negotiations are not yet complete, responses from other Proposers shall not be discussed, although the Department may inform the requesting Proposer of its relative ranking.

During or following the Debriefing, the Department will instruct the requesting Proposer of the manner and timeframe in which the requesting Proposer must notify the Department of its intent to request a Proposed Contractor Selection Review (see Section 3.8.2 below), if the requesting Proposer is not satisfied with the results of the Debriefing.

3.8.2 Proposed Contractor Selection Review

Any Proposer that has timely submitted a notice of its intent to request a Proposed Contractor Selection Review as described in this Section may submit a written request for a Proposed Contractor Selection Review, in the manner and timeframe as shall be specified by the Department.

A request for a Proposed Contractor Selection Review may, in the Department's sole discretion, be denied if the request does not satisfy all of the following criteria:

1. The person or entity requesting a Proposed Contractor Selection Review is a Proposer;
2. The request for a Proposed Contractor Selection Review is submitted timely (i.e., by the date and time specified by the Department);
3. The person or entity requesting a Proposed Contractor Selection Review asserts in appropriate detail with factual reasons one or more of the following grounds for review:
 - a. The Department materially failed to follow procedures specified in its solicitation document. This includes:

- i. Failure to correctly apply the standards for reviewing the proposal format requirements.
 - ii. Failure to correctly apply the standards, and/or follow the prescribed methods, for evaluating the proposals as specified in the solicitation document.
 - iii. Use of evaluation criteria that were different from the evaluation criteria disclosed in the solicitation document.
- b. The Department made identifiable mathematical or other errors in evaluating proposals, resulting in the Proposer receiving an incorrect score and not being selected as the recommended contractor.
 - c. A member of the Evaluation Committee demonstrated bias in the conduct of the evaluation.
 - d. Another basis for review as provided by state or federal law; and
4. The request for a Proposed Contractor Selection Review sets forth sufficient detail to demonstrate that, but for the Department's alleged failure, the Proposer would have been the lowest cost, responsive and responsible bid or the highest-scored proposal, as the case may be.

Upon completing the Proposed Contractor Selection Review, the Department representative shall issue a written decision to the Proposer within a reasonable time following receipt of the request for a Proposed Contractor Selection Review, and always before the date the contract award recommendation is to be heard by the Board. The written decision shall additionally instruct the Proposer of the manner and timeframe for requesting a review by a County Review Panel (see Section 3.9 below).

3.9 COUNTY REVIEW PANEL PROCESS

Any Proposer that is not satisfied with the results of the Proposed Contractor Selection Review may submit a written request for review by a County Review Panel in the manner and timeframe specified by the Department in the Department's written decision regarding the Proposed Contractor Selection Review.

A request for review by a County Review Panel may, in the County's sole discretion, be denied if the request does not satisfy all of the following criteria:

1. The person or entity requesting review by a County Review Panel is a Proposer;
2. The request for a review by a County Review Panel is submitted timely (i.e., by the date and time specified by the Department); and
3. The person or entity requesting review by a County Review Panel has limited the request to items raised in the Proposed Contractor Selection Review and new items that (a) arise from the Department's written decision and (b) are one of the appropriate grounds for requesting a Proposed Contractor Selection Review as listed in Section 3.8 above.

Upon completion of the County Review Panel's review, the Panel will forward its report to the Department, which will provide a copy to the Proposer.

ATTACHMENT A
SAMPLE CONTRACT



CONTRACT
BY AND BETWEEN
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
AND
CONTRACTOR
FOR
CALIFORNIA COASTAL COMMISSION
CONSULTANT SERVICES

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PART ONE - GENERAL CONDITIONS

1.0 GENERAL CONDITIONS

1.1 INTRODUCTION

1.1.1 Parties

This Contract is entered into by and between the County of Los Angeles (the "County") and _____ (the "Contractor").

1.1.2 Recitals

The Contract is intended to integrate within one document the terms for the California Coastal Commission Consultant Services to be performed for the County by the Contractor. The Contractor represents to the County that the express representations, certifications, assurances and warranties given in this Contract, Form P-1 (Offer to Perform) and Form P-2 (Proposer's Organization/Questionnaire Affidavit) are true and correct. The Contractor further represents that the express representations, certifications, assurances and warranties given by the Contractor in response to the Request for Proposals are true and correct, including but not limited to Forms P-3 - P-19 submitted with the Contractor's Proposal.

1.1.3 Effective Date

The effective date of this Contract shall be the later of January 11, 2013 or the date of Board approval.

1.1.4 Contract Provisions

The Contract is comprised of this Part 1 (General Conditions), Part 2 (Standard Contract Terms and Conditions), Part 3 (Unique Terms and Conditions), and the Exhibits and Forms, all of which are attached to this

Contract and incorporated by reference. It is the intention of the parties that when reference is made in this Contract to the language of the Request for Proposals (RFP), the Exhibits or the Proposal, such language shall be deemed incorporated in the Contract as if fully set forth herein; to the extent there is any inconsistency between the language in the Offer to Perform (Form P-1) or the Work Plan (Form P-6) and any other part of the Contract, the language of such other part of the Contract shall prevail.

1.1.5 Work to be Performed

Contractor shall perform the work set forth in Attachment B, Statement of Work and Form P-6. Pursuant to the provisions of this Contract, the Contractor shall fully perform, complete and deliver on time all tasks, deliverables, services and other work as set forth herein. If the Contractor provides any tasks, deliverables, goods, services or other work, other than as specified in this Contract, the same shall be deemed to be a gratuitous effort on the part of the Contractor, and the Contractor shall have no claim whatsoever against the County.

1.1.6 Rescission

The County may rescind the Contract for the Contractor's misrepresentation of any of the matters mentioned in Section 1.1.2. In the case of a misrepresentation of the facts set forth in Section 2.45, Termination for Improper Consideration, a penalty may be assessed in the amount of the fee paid by the Contractor to a third person for the award of the Contract.

1.2 INTERPRETATION OF CONTRACT

1.2.1 Headings

The headings contained in the Contract are for convenience and reference only. They are not intended to define or limit the scope of any provision of the Contract.

1.3 CONTRACT TERM

1.3.1 Initial Term

The initial Contract term shall be three years commencing January 11, 2013 or the date of execution by the County's Board of Supervisors, unless sooner terminated or extended, in whole or in part, as provided in this Contract.

1.3.2 Two One-Year/Six Month-to-Month Extension Options

If the Director determines that it is in the interest of the County to do so, he may grant up to two one-year extensions of the Contract term. The Director may exercise the first option by notifying the Contractor in writing before the Contract expiration date. The Director may exercise the second option by notifying the Contractor in writing before the expiration of the first optional Contract Year. Additionally, the Director may extend the final Contract term on a month-to-month basis for up to six (6) months, at his/her sole discretion.

The County maintains databases that track/monitor contractor performance history. Information entered into such databases may be used for a variety of purposes, including without limitation determining whether the County will exercise a Contract term extension option.

1.3.3 Contractor to Notify County when it is within Six Months from Expiration of Term

The Contractor shall notify the Department when this Contract is within six (6) months from the expiration of the term as provided for hereinabove. Upon occurrence of this event, the Contractor shall provide written notification to the Department.

1.3.4 Extension to Complete Work Orders

The Director may extend the Contract term or any optional Contract Year on a month-to-month basis subject to the Contract's terms and conditions, but only to allow the Contractor to complete a Work Order approved before the expiration of the Contract term or optional Contract Year. Such extensions are further subject to the availability of funds in the

Department's budget. Up to 12 such one-month extensions may be granted, which shall be effective only if executed in writing by the Director or Chief Deputy.

1.3.5 Survival of Obligations

Notwithstanding the stated term of the Contract, some obligations assumed in the Contract shall survive its termination, such as, but not limited to, the Contractor's obligation to retain and allow inspection by the County of its books, records and accounts relating to its performance of the Contract work.

1.4 CONTRACT SUM

1.4.1 Contract Payment

The net amount the County shall expend from its own funds during any Contract year for California Coastal Commission Consulting Services shall not exceed \$140,000 per Contract year, based on the Department's needs and availability of funds in the County's budget. The County may at its discretion expend any portion, all or none of the stipulated amount. However, aggregate annual payments for California Coastal Commission Consulting Services may exceed the stipulated amount to the extent that a lessee or other third party is obligated to reimburse the County for its California Coastal Commission Consulting Services.

The Contractor shall not be entitled to payment or reimbursement for any tasks or services performed, nor for any incidental or administrative expenses whatsoever incurred in or incidental to performance hereunder, except as specified herein. Assumption or takeover of any of the Contractor's duties, responsibilities, or obligations, or performance of same by any entity other than the Contractor, whether through assignment, subcontract, delegation, merger, buyout, or any other mechanism, with or without consideration for any reason whatsoever, shall occur only with the Director's express prior written approval.

1.4.2 Increase of Contract Sum by Director

Notwithstanding Section 1.4.1, the Director may, by written notice to the Contractor, increase the Contract Sum amount by up to 10 percent in any year of the Contract or any extension period, to cover needed, increased services in the scope of the Contract, subject to the availability of funds in the Department's budget. Such increases shall not be cumulative.

1.4.3 Increase in Maximum Compensation Under Work Order

The Director may approve an increase in the maximum compensation specified in a Work Order should he find that the project will require additional hours, an increase in staffing, or other causes to do so. An increase in the maximum compensation specified in a Work Order shall not increase the Contractor's hourly rate of compensation. Approval of an increase in the maximum compensation specified in a Work Order shall be effective only if executed in writing by the Director or Chief Deputy, who shall state the reason for the increase.

1.4.4 Compensation Payable Only Under Work Order at Quoted Hourly Rates

Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Contract, no compensation shall be paid unless and until the Contractor has performed work for the Department in accordance with the terms of an issued Work Order (Exhibit 1). Compensation for all work under a Work Order shall be at Contractor's rate of pay as quoted on Form P-1, and shall be subject to Sections 1.4.1 and 2.48.

1.4.5 No Increase in Hourly Rate of Compensation

No increase in the hourly rate of compensation quoted in Form P-1 shall be given during the term of the Contract or any extension period.

1.4.6 Contractor to Notify County when it has Received 75% of Total Contract Amount

The Contractor shall maintain a system of record keeping that will allow the Contractor to determine when it has incurred seventy-five percent of

the total contract authorization under this Contract. Upon occurrence of this event, the Contractor shall send written notification to the Department.

1.4.7 No Payment for Services Provided Following Expiration/Termination of Contract

The Contractor shall have no claim against County for payment of any money or reimbursement, or any kind whatsoever, for any service provided by the Contractor after the expiration or other termination of this Contract. Should the Contractor receive any such payment it shall immediately notify County and shall immediately repay all such funds to County. Payment to County for services rendered after expiration/termination of this contract shall not constitute a waiver of County's right to recover such payment from the Contractor. This provision shall survive the expiration or other termination of this Contract.

1.5 INVOICES AND PAYMENTS

1.5.1 The Contractor shall invoice the County only for providing the tasks, deliverables, goods, services and other work specified in Attachment B, Statement of Work and elsewhere hereunder. The Contractor shall prepare invoices, which shall include the charges owed to the Contractor by the County under the terms of this Contract. The Contractor's payments shall be as provided in Form P-1, Offer to Perform, and the Contractor shall be paid only for the tasks, deliverables, goods, services, and other work approved in writing by the County. If the County does not approve work in writing no payment shall be due to the Contractor for that work.

1.5.2 Contractor's Invoice Procedures

The Contractor shall submit an invoice to the Department on or before the fifteenth day of each month for compensation earned during the preceding calendar month. The Contractor shall submit two copies of each invoice. Invoices shall identify the Contract number and shall itemize dates and hours or work performed, name of the Work Order or project, type of work

performed, person performing the work, hourly rate for such person and other information necessary to calculate the payment for the work.

If the Work Order requires delivery of a report or other written product, fifty percent of all amounts due under the invoice shall be withheld until receipt and acceptance by the Contract Administrator. The Contractor's monthly invoice shall show the amount earned subject to such withholding, the deduction for the amount to be withheld, and the net amount currently payable by the County.

Upon the Department's receipt and the Contract Administrator's review and approval of the invoice, the County shall pay the net amount currently payable shown on the invoice less any other setoff or deduction authorized by the Contract. Such setoffs and deductions include, but are not limited to, the cost of replacement services.

1.5.3 Approval of Invoices

Upon completion of the reports or other deliverable items identified in the Work Order, the Contractor shall deliver them with an invoice for the amounts withheld pending their receipt and acceptance. All invoices submitted by the Contractor for payment must have the written approval of the Department's Planning Division prior to any payment thereof. In no event shall the County be liable or responsible for any payment prior to such written approval. Approval for payment will not be unreasonably withheld.

1.5.4 Local Small Business Enterprises - Prompt Payment Program

Certified Local SBEs will receive prompt payment for services they provide to County departments. Prompt payment is defined as 15 calendar days after receipt of an undisputed invoice.

1.6 ADMINISTRATION OF CONTRACT - CONTRACTOR

1.6.1 Contractor's Contract Representative

The Contractor's Contract Representative is designated on Form P-17, Contractor's Administration. The Contractor shall notify the County in

writing of any change in the name or address of the Contractor's Contract Representative.

The Contractor's Contract Representative shall be responsible for the Contractor's day-to-day activities as related to this Contract and shall coordinate with County's Contract Administrator on a regular basis.

1.6.2 Approval of Contractor's Staff

County has the absolute right to approve or disapprove all of the Contractor's staff performing work hereunder and any proposed changes in the Contractor's staff, including, but not limited to, the Contractor's Contract Representative.

1.6.3 Confidentiality

Contractor shall maintain the confidentiality of all records and information in accordance with all applicable Federal, State and local laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, directives, guidelines, policies and procedures relating to confidentiality, including, without limitation, County policies concerning information technology security and the protection of confidential records and information.

Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless County and its Special Districts, elected and appointed officers, employees, and agents, from and against any and all claims, demands, damages, liabilities, losses, costs and expenses, including, without limitation, defense costs and legal, accounting and other expert, consulting, or professional fees, arising from, connected with, or related to any failure by Contractor, its officers, employees, agents, or subcontractors, to comply with this Paragraph 1.6.3, as determined by County in its sole judgment. Any legal defense pursuant to Contractor's indemnification obligations under this Paragraph 1.6.3 shall be conducted by Contractor and performed by counsel selected by Contractor and approved by County. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, County shall have the right to participate in any such defense at its sole cost and expense, except that in the event Contractor fails to provide County with a full and adequate defense, as

determined by County in its sole judgment, County shall be entitled to retain its own counsel, including, without limitation, County Counsel, and reimbursement from Contractor for all such costs and expenses incurred by County in doing so. Contractor shall not have the right to enter into any settlement, agree to any injunction, or make any admission, in each case, on behalf of County without the Director's prior written approval.

Contractor shall inform all of its officers, employees, agents and subcontractors providing services hereunder of the confidentiality provisions of this Contract.

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PART TWO - STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS

2.0 STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS

2.1 AMENDMENTS

2.1.1 For any change which affects the scope of work, term, contract sum, payments, or any term or condition included under this Contract, an Amendment shall be prepared and executed by the Contractor and by the Director of the Department or his/her authorized designee.

2.1.2 The County's Board of Supervisors or Chief Executive Officer or designee may require the addition and/or change of certain terms and conditions in the Contract during the term of this Contract. The County reserves the right to add and/or change such provisions as required by the County's Board of Supervisors or Chief Executive Officer. To implement such changes, an Amendment to the Contract shall be prepared and executed by the Contractor and by the Director of the Department or his/her authorized designee.

2.1.3 The Director of the Department or his/her designee, may at his/her sole discretion, authorize extensions of time as defined in Paragraph 1.3, Contract Term. The Contractor agrees that such extensions of time shall not change any other term or condition of this Contract during the period of such extensions. To implement an extension of time, an Amendment to the Contract shall be prepared and executed by the Contractor and by the Director of the Department or his/her authorized designee.

2.2 ASSIGNMENT AND DELEGATION

2.2.1 The Contractor shall not assign its rights or delegate its duties under this Contract, or both, whether in whole or in part, without the prior written

consent of County, in its discretion, and any attempted assignment or delegation without such consent shall be null and void. For purposes of this sub-paragraph, County consent shall require a written amendment to the Contract, which is formally approved and executed by the parties. Any payments by the County to any approved delegate or assignee on any claim under this Contract shall be deductible, at County's sole discretion, against the claims, which the Contractor may have against the County.

2.2.2 Shareholders, partners, members, or other equity holders of Contractor may transfer, sell, exchange, assign, or divest themselves of any interest they may have therein. However, in the event any such sale, transfer, exchange, assignment, or divestment is effected in such a way as to give majority control of Contractor to any person(s), corporation, partnership, or legal entity other than the majority controlling interest therein at the time of execution of the Contract, such disposition is an assignment requiring the prior written consent of County in accordance with applicable provisions of this Contract.

2.2.3 Any assumption, assignment, delegation, or takeover of any of the Contractor's duties, responsibilities, obligations, or performance of same by any entity other than the Contractor, whether through assignment, subcontract, delegation, merger, buyout, or any other mechanism, with or without consideration for any reason whatsoever without County's express prior written approval, shall be a material breach of the Contract which may result in the termination of this Contract. In the event of such termination, County shall be entitled to pursue the same remedies against Contractor as it could pursue in the event of default by Contractor.

2.3 AUTHORIZATION WARRANTY

The Contractor represents and warrants that the person executing this Contract for the Contractor is an authorized agent who has actual authority to bind the Contractor to each and every term, condition, and obligation of this Contract and that all requirements of the Contractor have been fulfilled to provide such actual

authority.

2.4 BUDGET REDUCTIONS

In the event that the County's Board of Supervisors adopts, in any fiscal year, a County Budget which provides for reductions in the salaries and benefits paid to the majority of County employees and imposes similar reductions with respect to County Contracts, the County reserves the right to reduce its payment obligation under this Contract correspondingly for that fiscal year and any subsequent fiscal year during the term of this Contract (including any extensions), and the services to be provided by the Contractor under this Contract shall also be reduced correspondingly. The County's notice to the Contractor regarding said reduction in payment obligation shall be provided within thirty (30) calendar days of the Board's approval of such actions. Except as set forth in the preceding sentence, the Contractor shall continue to provide all of the services set forth in this Contract.

2.5 COMPLAINTS

The Contractor shall develop, maintain and operate procedures for receiving, investigating and responding to complaints.

2.5.1 Within 10 business days after Contract effective date, the Contractor shall provide the County with the Contractor's policy for receiving, investigating and responding to user complaints.

2.5.2 The County will review the Contractor's policy and provide the Contractor with approval of said plan or with requested changes.

2.5.3 If the County requests changes in the Contractor's policy, the Contractor shall make such changes and resubmit the plan within 10 business days for County approval.

2.5.4 If, at any time, the Contractor wishes to change the Contractor's policy, the Contractor shall submit proposed changes to the County for approval before implementation.

- 2.5.5** The Contractor shall preliminarily investigate all complaints and notify the County's Contract Administrator of the status of the investigation within five business days of receiving the complaint.
- 2.5.6** When complaints cannot be resolved informally, a system of follow-through shall be instituted which adheres to formal plans for specific actions and strict time deadlines.
- 2.5.7** Copies of all written responses shall be sent to the County's Contract Administrator within five business days of mailing to the complainant.

2.6 COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE LAW

- 2.6.1** In the performance of this Contract, Contractor shall comply with all applicable Federal, State and local laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, directives, guidelines, policies and procedures, and all provisions required thereby to be included in this Contract are hereby incorporated herein by reference.
- 2.6.2** Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless County and its Special Districts, elected and appointed officers, employees, and agents, from and against any and all claims, demands, damages, liabilities, losses, costs, and expenses, including, without limitation, defense costs and legal, accounting and other expert, consulting or professional fees, arising from, connected with, or related to any failure by Contractor, its officers, employees, agents, or subcontractors, to comply with any such laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, directives, guidelines, policies, or procedures, as determined by County in its sole judgment. Any legal defense pursuant to Contractor's indemnification obligations under this Paragraph 2.6 shall be conducted by Contractor and performed by counsel selected by Contractor and approved by County. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, County shall have the right to participate in any such defense at its sole cost and expense, except that in the event Contractor fails to provide County with a full and adequate defense, as determined by County in its sole judgment, County shall be entitled to

retain its own counsel, including, without limitation, County Counsel, and reimbursement from Contractor for all such costs and expenses incurred by County in doing so. Contractor shall not have the right to enter into any settlement, agree to any injunction or other equitable relief, or make any admission, in each case, on behalf of County without County's prior written approval.

2.7 COMPLIANCE WITH CIVIL RIGHTS LAWS

The Contractor hereby assures that it will comply with Subchapter VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 USC Sections 2000 (e) (1) through 2000 (e) (17), to the end that no person shall, on the grounds of race, creed, color, sex, religion, ancestry, age, condition of physical handicap, marital status, political affiliation, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under this Contract or under any project, program, or activity supported by this Contract. The Contractor shall comply with *Form P-8 – Contractor's EEO Certification*.

2.8 COMPLIANCE WITH THE COUNTY'S JURY SERVICE PROGRAM

2.8.1 Jury Service Program:

This Contract is subject to the provisions of the County's ordinance entitled Contractor Employee Jury Service ("Jury Service Program") as codified in Sections 2.203.010 through 2.203.090 of the Los Angeles County Code, a copy of which is attached as *Exhibit 4* and incorporated by reference into and made a part of this Contract.

2.8.2 Written Employee Jury Service Policy.

1. Unless the Contractor has demonstrated to the County's satisfaction either that the Contractor is not a "Contractor" as defined under the Jury Service Program (Section 2.203.020 of the County Code) or that the Contractor qualifies for an exception to the Jury Service Program (Section 2.203.070 of the County Code), the Contractor shall have and adhere to a written policy that provides that its Employees shall

receive from the Contractor, on an annual basis, no less than five days of regular pay for actual jury service. The policy may provide that Employees deposit any fees received for such jury service with the Contractor or that the Contractor deduct from the Employee's regular pay the fees received for jury service.

2. For purposes of this sub-paragraph, "Contractor" means a person, partnership, corporation or other entity which has a contract with the County or a subcontract with a County Contractor and has received or will receive an aggregate sum of \$50,000 or more in any 12-month period under one or more County contracts or subcontracts. "Employee" means any California resident who is a full-time employee of the Contractor. "Full-time" means 40 hours or more worked per week, or a lesser number of hours if: 1) the lesser number is a recognized industry standard as determined by the County, or 2) Contractor has a long-standing practice that defines the lesser number of hours as full-time. Full-time employees providing short-term, temporary services of 90 days or less within a 12-month period are not considered full-time for purposes of the Jury Service Program. If the Contractor uses any Subcontractor to perform services for the County under the Contract, the Subcontractor shall also be subject to the provisions of this sub-paragraph. The provisions of this sub-paragraph shall be inserted into any such subcontract agreement and a copy of the Jury Service Program shall be attached to the agreement.
3. If the Contractor is not required to comply with the Jury Service Program when the Contract commences, the Contractor shall have a continuing obligation to review the applicability of its "exception status" from the Jury Service Program, and the Contractor shall immediately notify the County if the Contractor at any time either comes within the Jury Service Program's definition of "Contractor" or if the Contractor no longer qualifies for an exception to the Jury Service Program. In

either event, the Contractor shall immediately implement a written policy consistent with the Jury Service Program. The County may also require, at any time during the Contract and at its sole discretion, that the Contractor demonstrate to the County's satisfaction that the Contractor either continues to remain outside of the Jury Service Program's definition of "Contractor" and/or that the Contractor continues to qualify for an exception to the Program.

4. Contractor's violation of this sub-paragraph of the Contract may constitute a material breach of the Contract. In the event of such material breach, County may, in its sole discretion, terminate the Contract and/or bar the Contractor from the award of future County contracts for a period of time consistent with the seriousness of the breach.

2.9 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

2.9.1 No County employee whose position with the County enables such employee to influence the award of this Contract or any competing Contract, and no spouse or economic dependent of such employee, shall be employed in any capacity by the Contractor or have any other direct or indirect financial interest in this Contract. No officer or employee of the Contractor who may financially benefit from the performance of work hereunder shall in any way participate in the County's approval, or ongoing evaluation, of such work, or in any way attempt to unlawfully influence the County's approval or ongoing evaluation of such work.

2.9.2 The Contractor shall comply with all conflict of interest laws, ordinances, and regulations now in effect or hereafter to be enacted during the term of this Contract. The Contractor warrants that it is not now aware of any facts that create a conflict of interest. If the Contractor hereafter becomes aware of any facts that might reasonably be expected to create a conflict of interest, it shall immediately make full written disclosure of such facts to the County. Full written disclosure shall include, but is not limited to,

identification of all persons implicated and a complete description of all relevant circumstances. Failure to comply with the provisions of this subparagraph shall be a material breach of this Contract.

2.10 CONSIDERATION OF HIRING COUNTY EMPLOYEES TARGETED FOR LAYOFF/ OR RE-EMPLOYMENT LIST

Should the Contractor require additional or replacement personnel after the effective date of this Contract to perform the services set forth herein, the Contractor shall give first consideration for such employment openings to qualified, permanent County employees who are targeted for layoff or qualified, former County employees who are on a re-employment list during the life of this Contract.

2.11 CONSIDERATION OF HIRING GAIN/GROW PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS

Should the Contractor require additional or replacement personnel after the effective date of this Contract, the Contractor shall give consideration for any such employment openings to participants in the County's Department of Public Social Services Greater Avenues for Independence (GAIN) Program or General Relief Opportunity for Work (GROW) Program who meet the Contractor's minimum qualifications for the open position. For this purpose, consideration shall mean that the Contractor will interview qualified candidates. The County will refer GAIN/GROW participants by job category to the Contractor.

In the event that both laid-off County employees and GAIN/GROW participants are available for hiring, County employees shall be given first priority.

2.12 CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITY AND DEBARMENT

2.12.1 Responsible Contractor

A responsible Contractor is a Contractor who has demonstrated the attribute of trustworthiness, as well as quality, fitness, capacity and experience to satisfactorily perform the contract. It is the County's policy to conduct business only with responsible Contractors.

2.12.2 Chapter 2.202 of the County Code

The Contractor is hereby notified that, in accordance with Chapter 2.202 of the County Code, if the County acquires information concerning the performance of the Contractor on this or other contracts which indicates that the Contractor is not responsible, the County may, in addition to other remedies provided in the Contract, debar the Contractor from bidding or proposing on, or being awarded, and/or performing work on County contracts for a specified period of time, which generally will not exceed five years but may exceed five years or be permanent if warranted by the circumstances, and terminate any or all existing Contracts the Contractor may have with the County.

2.12.3 Non-responsible Contractor

The County may debar a Contractor if the Board of Supervisors finds, in its discretion, that the Contractor has done any of the following: (1) violated a term of a contract with the County or a nonprofit corporation created by the County, (2) committed an act or omission which negatively reflects on the Contractor's quality, fitness or capacity to perform a contract with the County, any other public entity, or a nonprofit corporation created by the County, or engaged in a pattern or practice which negatively reflects on same, (3) committed an act or offense which indicates a lack of business integrity or business honesty, or (4) made or submitted a false claim against the County or any other public entity.

2.12.4 Contractor Hearing Board

1. If there is evidence that the Contractor may be subject to debarment, the Department will notify the Contractor in writing of the evidence which is the basis for the proposed debarment and will advise the Contractor of the scheduled date for a debarment hearing before the Contractor Hearing Board.
2. The Contractor Hearing Board will conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed debarment is presented. The Contractor and/or the

Contractor's representative shall be given an opportunity to submit evidence at that hearing. After the hearing, the Contractor Hearing Board shall prepare a tentative proposed decision, which shall contain a recommendation regarding whether the Contractor should be debarred, and, if so, the appropriate length of time of the debarment. The Contractor and the Department shall be provided an opportunity to object to the tentative proposed decision prior to its presentation to the Board of Supervisors.

3. After consideration of any objections, or if no objections are submitted, a record of the hearing, the proposed decision, and any other recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board shall be presented to the Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors shall have the right to modify, deny, or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board.
4. If a Contractor has been debarred for a period longer than five (5) years, that Contractor may after the debarment has been in effect for at least five (5) years, submit a written request for review of the debarment determination to reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment. The County may, in its discretion, reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment if it finds that the Contractor has adequately demonstrated one or more of the following: (1) elimination of the grounds for which the debarment was imposed; (2) a bona fide change in ownership or management; (3) material evidence discovered after debarment was imposed; or (4) any other reason that is in the best interests of the County.
5. The Contractor Hearing Board will consider a request for review of a debarment determination only where (1) the Contractor has been debarred for a period longer than five (5) years; (2) the debarment has been in effect for at least five (5) years; and (3) the request is in writing, states one or more of the grounds for reduction of the debarment period or termination of the debarment, and includes

supporting documentation. Upon receiving an appropriate request, the Contractor Hearing Board will provide notice of the hearing on the request. At the hearing, the Contractor Hearing Board shall conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed reduction of debarment period or termination of debarment is presented. This hearing shall be conducted and the request for review decided by the Contractor Hearing Board pursuant to the same procedures as for a debarment hearing.

6. The Contractor Hearing Board's proposed decision shall contain a recommendation on the request to reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment. The Contractor Hearing Board shall present its proposed decision and recommendation to the Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors shall have the right to modify, deny, or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board.

2.12.5 Subcontractors of Contractor

These terms shall also apply to Subcontractors of County Contractors.

2.13 CONTRACTOR'S ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTY'S COMMITMENT TO THE SAFELY SURRENDERED BABY LAW

The Contractor acknowledges that the County places a high priority on the implementation of the Safely Surrendered Baby Law. The Contractor understands that it is the County's policy to encourage all County Contractors to voluntarily post the County's "Safely Surrendered Baby Law" poster in a prominent position at the Contractor's place of business. The Contractor will also encourage its Subcontractors, if any, to post this poster in a prominent position in the Subcontractor's place of business. The County's Department of Children and Family Services will supply the Contractor with the poster to be used. Information on how to receive the poster can be found on the Internet at www.babysafela.org.

2.14 CONTRACTOR'S WARRANTY OF ADHERENCE TO COUNTY'S CHILD SUPPORT COMPLIANCE PROGRAM

2.14.1 The Contractor acknowledges that the County has established a goal of ensuring that all individuals who benefit financially from the County through contract are in compliance with their court-ordered child, family and spousal support obligations in order to mitigate the economic burden otherwise imposed upon the County and its taxpayers.

2.14.2 As required by the County's Child Support Compliance Program (County Code Chapter 2.200) and without limiting the Contractor's duty under this Contract to comply with all applicable provisions of law, the Contractor warrants that it is now in compliance and shall during the term of this Contract maintain in compliance with employment and wage reporting requirements as required by the Federal Social Security Act (42 USC Section 653a) and California Unemployment Insurance Code Section 1088.5, and shall implement all lawfully served Wage and Earnings Withholding Orders or Child Support Services Department Notices of Wage and Earnings Assignment for Child, Family or Spousal Support, pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure Section 706.031 and Family Code Section 5246(b).

2.15 COUNTY'S QUALITY ASSURANCE PLAN

The County or its agent will evaluate the Contractor's performance under this Contract on not less than an annual basis. Such evaluation will include assessing the Contractor's compliance with all Contract terms and conditions and performance standards. Contractor deficiencies which the County determines are severe or continuing and that may place performance of the Contract in jeopardy if not corrected will be reported to the Board of Supervisors. The report will include improvement/corrective action measures taken by the County and the Contractor. If improvement does not occur consistent with the corrective action measures, the County may terminate this Contract or impose other penalties as specified in this Contract.

2.16 DAMAGE TO COUNTY FACILITIES, BUILDINGS OR GROUNDS

2.16.1 The Contractor shall repair, or cause to be repaired, at its own cost, any and all damage to County facilities, buildings, or grounds caused by the Contractor or employees or agents of the Contractor. Such repairs shall be made immediately after the Contractor has become aware of such damage, but in no event later than thirty (30) days after the occurrence.

2.16.2 If the Contractor fails to make timely repairs, County may make any necessary repairs. All costs incurred by County, as determined by County, for such repairs shall be repaid by the Contractor by cash payment upon demand.

2.17 EMPLOYMENT ELIGIBILITY VERIFICATION

2.17.1 The Contractor warrants that it fully complies with all Federal and State statutes and regulations regarding the employment of aliens and others and that all its employees performing work under this Contract meet the citizenship or alien status requirements set forth in Federal and State statutes and regulations. The Contractor shall obtain, from all employees performing work hereunder, all verification and other documentation of employment eligibility status required by Federal and State statutes and regulations including, but not limited to, the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986, (P.L. 99-603), or as they currently exist and as they may be hereafter amended. The Contractor shall retain all such documentation for all covered employees for the period prescribed by law.

2.17.2 The Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless, the County, its agents, officers, and employees from employer sanctions and any other liability which may be assessed against the Contractor or the County or both in connection with any alleged violation of any Federal or State statutes or regulations pertaining to the eligibility for employment of any persons performing work under this Contract.

2.18 FACSIMILE REPRESENTATIONS

The County and the Contractor hereby agree to regard facsimile representations of original signatures of authorized officers of each party, when appearing in appropriate places on the Amendments prepared pursuant to Section 2.1, and received via communications facilities, as legally sufficient evidence that such original signatures have been affixed to Amendments to this Contract, such that the parties need not follow up facsimile transmissions of such documents with subsequent (non-facsimile) transmission of "original" versions of such documents.

2.19 FAIR LABOR STANDARDS

The Contractor shall comply with all applicable provisions of the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act and shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the County and its agents, officers, and employees from any and all liability, including, but not limited to, wages, overtime pay, liquidated damages, penalties, court costs, and attorneys' fees arising under any wage and hour law, including, but not limited to, the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act, for work performed by the Contractor's employees for which the County may be found jointly or solely liable.

2.20 FORCE MAJEURE

2.20.1 Neither party shall be liable for such party's failure to perform its obligations under and in accordance with this Contract, if such failure arises out of fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, other natural occurrences, strikes, lockouts (other than a lockout by such party or any of such party's subcontractors), freight embargoes, or other similar events to those described above, but in every such case the failure to perform must be totally beyond the control and without any fault or negligence of such party (such events are referred to in this sub-paragraph as "force majeure events").

2.20.2 Notwithstanding the foregoing, a default by a subcontractor of Contractor shall not constitute a force majeure event, unless such default arises out of causes beyond the control of both Contractor and such subcontractor, and without any fault or negligence of either of them. In such case, Contractor shall not be liable for failure to perform, unless the goods or services to be furnished by the subcontractor were obtainable from other sources in sufficient time to permit Contractor to meet the required performance schedule. As used in this sub-paragraph, the term “subcontractor” and “subcontractors” mean subcontractors at any tier.

2.20.3 In the event Contractor's failure to perform arises out of a force majeure event, Contractor agrees to use commercially reasonable best efforts to obtain goods or services from other sources, if applicable, and to otherwise mitigate the damages and reduce the delay caused by such force majeure event.

2.21 GOVERNING LAW, JURISDICTION AND VENUE

This Contract shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of California. The Contractor agrees and consents to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of the State of California for all purposes regarding this Contract and further agrees and consents that venue of any action brought hereunder shall be exclusively in the County of Los Angeles.

2.22 INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR STATUS

2.22.1 This Contract is by and between the County and the Contractor and is not intended, and shall not be construed, to create the relationship of agent, servant, employee, partnership, joint venture, or association, as between the County and the Contractor. The employees and agents of one party shall not be, or be construed to be, the employees or agents of the other party for any purpose whatsoever.

2.22.2 The Contractor shall be solely liable and responsible for providing to, or on behalf of, all persons performing work pursuant to this Contract all

compensation and benefits. The County shall have no liability or responsibility for the payment of any salaries, wages, unemployment benefits, disability benefits, Federal, State, or local taxes, or other compensation, benefits, or taxes for any personnel provided by or on behalf of the Contractor.

2.22.3 The Contractor understands and agrees that all persons performing work pursuant to this Contract are, for purposes of Workers' Compensation liability, solely employees of the Contractor and not employees of the County. The Contractor shall be solely liable and responsible for furnishing any and all Workers' Compensation benefits to any person as a result of any injuries arising from or connected with any work performed by or on behalf of the Contractor pursuant to this Contract.

2.22.4 The Contractor shall adhere to the provisions stated in sub-paragraph 1.6.3, Confidentiality.

2.23 INDEMNIFICATION

The Contractor shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the County, its Special Districts, elected and appointed officers, employees, and agents from and against any and all liability, including but not limited to demands, claims, actions, fees, costs, and expenses (including attorney and expert witness fees), arising from or connected with the Contractor's acts and/or omissions arising from and/or relating to this Contract.

2.24 GENERAL PROVISIONS FOR ALL INSURANCE COVERAGE

Without limiting Contractor's indemnification of County, and in the performance of this Contract and until all of its obligations pursuant to this Contract have been met, Contractor shall provide and maintain at its own expense insurance coverage satisfying the requirements specified in Sections 2.24 and 2.25 of this Contract. These minimum insurance coverage terms, types and limits (the "Required Insurance") also are in addition to and separate from any other contractual obligation imposed upon Contractor pursuant to this Contract. The

County in no way warrants that the Required Insurance is sufficient to protect the Contractor for liabilities which may arise from or relate to this Contract.

2.24.1 Evidence of Coverage and Notice to County

- Certificate(s) of insurance coverage (Certificate) satisfactory to County, and a copy of an Additional Insured endorsement confirming County and its Agents (defined below) has been given Insured status under the Contractor's General Liability policy, shall be delivered to County at the address shown below and provided prior to commencing services under this Contract.
- Renewal Certificates shall be provided to County not less than 10 days prior to Contractor's policy expiration dates. The County reserves the right to obtain complete, certified copies of any required Contractor and/or Sub-Contractor insurance policies at any time.
- Certificates shall identify all Required Insurance coverage types and limits specified herein, reference this Contract by name or number, and be signed by an authorized representative of the insurer(s). The Insured party named on the Certificate shall match the name of the Contractor identified as the contracting party in this Contract. Certificates shall provide the full name of each insurer providing coverage, its NAIC (National Association of Insurance Commissioners) identification number, its financial rating, the amounts of any policy deductibles or self-insured retentions exceeding fifty thousand (\$50,000.00) dollars, and list any County required endorsement forms.
- Neither the County's failure to obtain, nor the County's receipt of, or failure to object to a non-complying insurance certificate or endorsement, or any other insurance documentation or information provided by the Contractor, its insurance broker(s) and/or insurer(s), shall be construed as a waiver of any of the Required Insurance provisions.

Certificates and copies of any required endorsements shall be sent to:
Los Angeles County Department of Beaches and Harbors
13483 Fiji Way, Trailer 3
Marina del Rey, CA 90292
Attention: Nicolette Taylor, Contracts Analyst

Contractor also shall promptly report to County any injury or property damage accident or incident, including any injury to a Contractor employee occurring on County property, and any loss, disappearance, destruction, misuse, or theft of County property, monies or securities entrusted to Contractor. Contractor also shall promptly notify County of any third party claim or suit filed against Contractor or any of its Sub-Contractors which arises from or relates to this Contract, and could result in the filing of a claim or lawsuit against Contractor and/or County.

2.24.2 Additional Insured Status and Scope of Coverage

The County of Los Angeles, its Special Districts, Elected Officials, Officers, Agents, Employees and Volunteers (collectively County and its Agents) shall be provided additional insured status under Contractor's General Liability policy with respect to liability arising out of Contractor's ongoing and completed operations performed on behalf of the County. County and its Agents additional insured status shall apply with respect to liability and defense of suits arising out of the Contractor's acts or omissions, whether such liability is attributable to the Contractor or to the County. The full policy limits and scope of protection also shall apply to the County and its Agents as an additional insured, even if they exceed the County's minimum Required Insurance specifications herein. Use of an automatic additional insured endorsement form is acceptable providing it satisfies the Required Insurance provisions herein.

2.24.3 Cancellation of Insurance

Contractor shall provide County with, or Contractor's insurance policies shall contain a provision that County shall receive written notice of cancellation or any change in Required Insurance, including insurer, limits

of coverage, term of coverage or policy period. The written notice shall be provided to County at least ten (10) days in advance of cancellation for non-payment of premium and thirty (30) days in advance for any other cancellation or policy change. Failure to provide written notice of cancellation or any change in Required Insurance may constitute a material breach of the Contract, in the sole discretion of the County, upon which the County may suspend or terminate this Contract.

2.24.4 Failure to Maintain Insurance

Contractor's failure to maintain or to provide acceptable evidence that it maintains the Required Insurance shall constitute a material breach of the Contract, upon which County immediately may withhold payments due to Contractor, and/or suspend or terminate this Contract. County, at its sole discretion, may obtain damages from Contractor resulting from said breach.

Alternatively, the County may purchase the Required Insurance, and without further notice to Contractor, deduct the premium cost from sums due to Contractor or pursue Contractor reimbursement.

2.24.5 Insurer Financial Ratings

Coverage shall be placed with insurers acceptable to the County with A.M. Best ratings of not less than A:VII unless otherwise approved by County.

2.24.6 Contractor's Insurance Shall Be Primary

Contractor's insurance policies, with respect to any claims related to this Contract, shall be primary with respect to all other sources of coverage available to Contractor. Any County maintained insurance or self-insurance coverage shall be in excess of and not contribute to any Contractor coverage.

2.24.7 Waivers of Subrogation

To the fullest extent permitted by law, the Contractor hereby waives its rights and its insurer(s)' rights of recovery against County under all the Required Insurance for any loss arising from or relating to this Contract.

The Contractor shall require its insurers to execute any waiver of subrogation endorsements which may be necessary to effect such waiver.

2.24.8 Sub-Contractor Insurance Coverage Requirements

Contractor shall include all Sub-Contractors as insureds under Contractor's own policies, or shall provide County with each Sub-Contractor's separate evidence of insurance coverage. Contractor shall be responsible for verifying each Sub-Contractor complies with the Required Insurance provisions herein, and shall require that each Sub-Contractor name the County and Contractor as additional insureds on the Sub-Contractor's General Liability policy. Contractor shall obtain County's prior review and approval of any Sub-Contractor request for modification of the Required Insurance.

2.24.9 Deductibles and Self-Insured Retentions (SIRs)

Contractor's policies shall not obligate the County to pay any portion of any Contractor deductible or SIR. The County retains the right to require Contractor to reduce or eliminate policy deductibles and SIRs as respects the County, or to provide a bond guaranteeing Contractor's payment of all deductibles and SIRs, including all related claims investigation, administration and defense expenses. Such bond shall be executed by a corporate surety licensed to transact business in the State of California.

2.24.10 Claims Made Coverage

If any part of the Required Insurance is written on a claims made basis, any policy retroactive date shall precede the effective date of this Contract. Contractor understands and agrees it shall maintain such coverage for a period of not less than three (3) years following Contract expiration, termination or cancellation.

2.24.11 Application of Excess Liability Coverage

Contractors may use a combination of primary and excess insurance policies which provide coverage as broad as the underlying primary policies, to satisfy the Required Insurance provisions.

2.24.12 Separation of Insureds

All liability policies shall provide cross-liability coverage as would be afforded by the standard ISO (Insurance Services Office, Inc.) separation of insureds provision with no insured versus insured exclusions or limitations.

2.24.13 Alternative Risk Financing Programs

The County reserves the right to review, and then approve, Contractor use of self-insurance, risk retention groups, risk purchasing groups, pooling arrangements and captive insurance to satisfy the Required Insurance provisions. The County and its Agents shall be designated as an Additional Covered Party under any approved program.

2.24.14 County Review and Approval of Insurance Requirements

The County reserves the right to review and adjust the Required Insurance provisions, conditioned upon County's determination of changes in risk exposures.

2.25 INSURANCE COVERAGE

2.25.1 Commercial General Liability insurance (providing scope of coverage equivalent to ISO policy form CG 00 01), naming County and its Agents as an additional insured, with limits of not less than:

General Aggregate:	\$2 million
Products/Completed Operations Aggregate:	\$1 million
Personal and Advertising Injury:	\$1 million
Each Occurrence:	\$1 million

2.25.2 Automobile Liability insurance (providing scope of coverage equivalent to ISO policy form CA 00 01) with limits of not less than \$1 million for bodily injury and property damage, in combined or equivalent split limits, for each single accident. Insurance shall cover liability arising out of Contractor's use of autos pursuant to this Contract, including owned, leased, hired, and/or non-owned autos, as each may be applicable.

2.25.3 Workers Compensation and Employers' Liability insurance or qualified self-insurance satisfying statutory requirements, which includes Employers' Liability coverage with limits of not less than \$1 million per accident. If Contractor will provide leased employees, or, is an employee leasing or temporary staffing firm or a professional employer organization (PEO), coverage also shall include an Alternate Employer Endorsement (providing scope of coverage equivalent to ISO policy form WC 00 03 01 A) naming the County as the Alternate Employer, and the endorsement form shall be modified to provide that County will receive not less than thirty (30) days advance written notice of cancellation of this coverage provision. If applicable to Contractor's operations, coverage also shall be arranged to satisfy the requirements of any federal workers or workmen's compensation law or any federal occupational disease law.

2.25.4 Professional Liability/Errors and Omissions insurance covering Contractor's liability arising from or relating to this Contract, with limits of not less than \$1 million per claim and \$2 million aggregate. Further, Contractor understands and agrees it shall maintain such coverage for a period of not less than three (3) years following this Agreement's expiration, termination or cancellation.

2.26 LIQUIDATED DAMAGES

2.26.1 If, in the judgment of the Director, or his/her designee, the Contractor is deemed to be non-compliant with the terms and obligations assumed hereby, the Director, or his/her designee, at his/her option, in addition to, or in lieu of, other remedies provided herein, may withhold the entire monthly payment or deduct pro rata from the Contractor's invoice for work not performed. A description of the work not performed and the amount to be withheld or deducted from payments to the Contractor from the County, will be forwarded to the Contractor by the Director, or his/her designee, in a written notice describing the reasons for said action.

2.26.2 If the Director, or his/her designee, determines that there are deficiencies in the performance of this Contract that the Director, or his/her designee, deems are correctable by the Contractor over a certain time span, the Director, or his/her designee, will provide a written notice to the Contractor to correct the deficiency within specified time frames. Should the Contractor fail to correct deficiencies within said time frame, the Director, or his/her designee, may: (a) deduct from the Contractor's payment, pro rata, those applicable portions of the Monthly Contract Sum; and/or (b) deduct liquidated damages. The parties agree that it will be impracticable or extremely difficult to fix the extent of actual damages resulting from the failure of the Contractor to correct a deficiency within the specified time frame. The parties hereby agree that under the current circumstances a reasonable estimate of such damages is One Hundred Dollars (\$100) per day per infraction, or as specified in the *Performance Requirements Summary (PRS) Chart*, as defined in *Attachment B-1, Statement of Work* hereunder, and that the Contractor shall be liable to the County for liquidated damages in said amount. Said amount shall be deducted from the County's payment to the Contractor; and/or (c) Upon giving five (5) days notice to the Contractor for failure to correct the deficiencies, the County may correct any and all deficiencies and the total costs incurred by the County for completion of the work by an alternate source, whether it be County forces or separate private contractor, will be deducted and forfeited from the payment to the Contractor from the County, as determined by the County.

2.26.3 The action noted in sub-paragraph 2.26.2 shall not be construed as a penalty, but as adjustment of payment to the Contractor to recover the County cost due to the failure of the Contractor to complete or comply with the provisions of this Contract.

2.26.4 This sub-paragraph shall not, in any manner, restrict or limit the County's right to damages for any breach of this Contract provided by law or as specified in the PRS or sub-paragraph 2.26.2, and shall not, in any

manner, restrict or limit the County's right to terminate this Contract as agreed to herein.

2.27 MOST FAVORED PUBLIC ENTITTY

If the Contractor's prices decline, or should the Contractor at any time during the term of this Contract provide the same goods or services under similar quantity and delivery conditions to the State of California or any county, municipality, or district of the State at prices below those set forth in this Contract, then such lower prices shall be immediately extended to the County.

2.28 NONDISCRIMINATION AND AFFIRMATIVE ACTION

2.28.1 The Contractor certifies and agrees that all persons employed by it, its affiliates, subsidiaries, or holding companies are and shall be treated equally without regard to or because of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, age, physical or mental disability, marital status, or political affiliation, in compliance with all applicable Federal and State anti-discrimination laws and regulations.

2.28.2 The Contractor shall certify to, and comply with, the provisions of *Form P-8, Contractor's EEO Certification*.

2.28.3 The Contractor shall take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, age, physical or mental disability, marital status, or political affiliation, in compliance with all applicable Federal and State anti-discrimination laws and regulations. Such action shall include, but is not limited to: employment, upgrading, demotion, transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination, rates of pay or other forms of compensation, and selection for training, including apprenticeship.

2.28.4 The Contractor certifies and agrees that it will deal with its subcontractors, bidders, or vendors without regard to or because of race, color, religion,

ancestry, national origin, sex, age, physical or mental disability, marital status, or political affiliation.

2.28.5 The Contractor certifies and agrees that it, its affiliates, subsidiaries, or holding companies shall comply with all applicable Federal and State laws and regulations to the end that no person shall, on the grounds of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, age, physical or mental disability, marital status, or political affiliation, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under this Contract or under any project, program, or activity supported by this Contract.

2.28.6 The Contractor shall allow County representatives access to the Contractor's employment records during regular business hours to verify compliance with the provisions of this sub-paragraph 2.28 when so requested by the County.

2.28.7 If the County finds that any provisions of this sub-paragraph 2.28 have been violated, such violation shall constitute a material breach of this Contract upon which the County may terminate or suspend this Contract. While the County reserves the right to determine independently that the anti-discrimination provisions of this Contract have been violated, in addition, a determination by the California Fair Employment Practices Commission or the Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Commission that the Contractor has violated Federal or State anti-discrimination laws or regulations shall constitute a finding by the County that the Contractor has violated the anti-discrimination provisions of this Contract.

2.28.8 The parties agree that in the event the Contractor violates any of the anti-discrimination provisions of this Contract, the County shall, at its sole option, be entitled to the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500) for each such violation pursuant to California Civil Code Section 1671 as liquidated damages in lieu of terminating or suspending this Contract.

2.29 NON EXCLUSIVITY

Nothing herein is intended nor shall be construed as creating any exclusive arrangement with the Contractor. This Contract shall not restrict the Department from acquiring similar, equal or like goods and/or services from other entities or sources.

2.30 NOTICE OF DELAYS

Except as otherwise provided under this Contract, when either party has knowledge that any actual or potential situation is delaying or threatens to delay the timely performance of this Contract, that party shall, within one (1) business day, give notice thereof, including all relevant information with respect thereto, to the other party.

2.31 NOTICE OF DISPUTES

The Contractor shall bring to the attention of the Contract Administrator any dispute between the County and the Contractor regarding the performance of services as stated in this Contract. If the County's Contract Administrator is not able to resolve the dispute, the Director or his/her designee shall resolve it.

2.32 NOTICE TO EMPLOYEES REGARDING THE FEDERAL EARNED INCOME CREDIT

The Contractor shall notify its employees, and shall require each Subcontractor to notify its employees, that they may be eligible for the Federal Earned Income Credit under the Federal income tax laws. Such notice shall be provided in accordance with the requirements set forth in *Internal Revenue Service Notice No.1015, Exhibit 5*.

2.33 NOTICE TO EMPLOYEES REGARDING THE SAFELY SURRENDERED BABY LAW

The Contractor shall notify and provide to its employees, and shall require each Subcontractor to notify and provide to its employees, a fact sheet regarding the

Safely Surrendered Baby Law, its implementation in Los Angeles County, and where and how to safely surrender a baby. The fact sheet is set forth in *Exhibit 6* of this Contract and is also available on the Internet at www.babysafela.org for printing purposes.

2.34 NOTICES

All notices or demands required or permitted to be given or made under this Contract shall be in writing and shall be hand delivered with signed receipt or mailed by first-class registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, addressed to the parties as identified in *Form P-17, Contractor's Administration*. Notices addressed to the County shall be addressed to the Director, Department of Beaches and Harbors, 13837 Fiji Way, Marina del Rey, California 90292. Addresses may be changed by either party giving ten (10) days' prior written notice thereof to the other party. The Director or his/her designee shall have the authority to issue all notices or demands required or permitted by the County under this Contract.

2.35 PROHIBITION AGAINST INDUCEMENT OR PERSUASION

Notwithstanding the above, the Contractor and the County agree that, during the term of this Contract and for a period of one year thereafter, neither party shall in any way intentionally induce or persuade any employee of one party to become an employee or agent of the other party. No bar exists against any hiring action initiated through a public announcement.

2.36 PUBLIC RECORDS ACT

2.36.1 Any documents submitted by the Contractor; all information obtained in connection with the County's right to audit and inspect the Contractor's documents, books, and accounting records pursuant to Section 2.38 - Record Retention and Inspection/Audit Settlement of this Contract; as well as those documents which were required to be submitted in response to the Request for Proposals (RFP) used in the solicitation process for this Contract, become the exclusive property of the County. All such

documents become a matter of public record and shall be regarded as public records. Exceptions will be those elements in the California Government Code Section 6250 *et seq.* (Public Records Act) and which are marked “trade secret”, “confidential”, or “proprietary”. The County shall not in any way be liable or responsible for the disclosure of any such records including, without limitation, those so marked, if disclosure is required by law, or by an order issued by a court of competent jurisdiction.

2.36.2 In the event the County is required to defend an action on a Public Records Act request for any of the aforementioned documents, information, books, records, and/or contents of a proposal marked “trade secret”, “confidential”, or “proprietary”, the Contractor agrees to defend and indemnify the County from all costs and expenses, including reasonable attorney’s fees, in action or liability arising under the Public Records Act.

2.37 PUBLICITY

2.37.1 The Contractor shall not disclose any details in connection with this Contract to any person or entity except as may be otherwise provided hereunder or required by law. However, in recognizing the Contractor’s need to identify its services and related clients to sustain itself, the County shall not inhibit the Contractor from publishing its role under this Contract within the following conditions:

- The Contractor shall develop all publicity material in a professional manner; and
- During the term of this Contract, the Contractor shall not, and shall not authorize another to, publish or disseminate any commercial advertisements, press releases, feature articles, or other materials using the name of the County without the prior written consent of the County’s Contractor Administrator. The County shall not unreasonably withhold written consent.

2.37.2 The Contractor may, without the prior written consent of County, indicate in its proposals and sales materials that it has been awarded this

Contract with the County of Los Angeles, provided that the requirements of this Section 2.37 shall apply.

2.38 RECORD RETENTION AND INSPECTION/AUDIT SETTLEMENT

The Contractor shall maintain accurate and complete financial records of its activities and operations relating to this Contract in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. The Contractor shall also maintain accurate and complete employment and other records relating to its performance of this Contract. The Contractor agrees that the County, or its authorized representatives, shall have access to and the right to examine, audit, excerpt, copy, or transcribe any pertinent transaction, activity, or record relating to this Contract. All such material, including, but not limited to, all financial records, bank statements, cancelled checks or other proof of payment, timecards, sign-in/sign-out sheets and other time and employment records, and proprietary data and information, shall be kept and maintained by the Contractor and shall be made available to the County during the term of this Contract and for a period of five (5) years thereafter unless the County's written permission is given to dispose of any such material prior to such time. All such material shall be maintained by the Contractor at a location in Los Angeles County, provided that if any such material is located outside Los Angeles County, then, at the County's option, the Contractor shall pay the County for travel, per diem, and other costs incurred by the County to examine, audit, excerpt, copy, or transcribe such material at such other location.

2.38.1 In the event that an audit of the Contractor is conducted specifically regarding this Contract by any Federal or State auditor, or by any auditor or accountant employed by the Contractor or otherwise, then the Contractor shall file a copy of such audit report with the County's Auditor-Controller within thirty (30) days of the Contractor's receipt thereof, unless otherwise provided by applicable Federal or State law or under this Contract. Subject to applicable law, the County shall make a reasonable effort to maintain the confidentiality of such audit report(s).

2.38.2 Failure on the part of the Contractor to comply with any of the provisions of this Section 2.38 shall constitute a material breach of this Contract upon which the County may terminate or suspend this Contract.

2.38.3 If, at any time during the term of this Contract or within five (5) years after the expiration or termination of this Contract, representatives of the County conduct an audit of the Contractor regarding the work performed under this Contract, and if such audit finds that the County's dollar liability for any such work is less than payments made by the County to the Contractor, then the difference shall be either: a) repaid by the Contractor to the County by cash payment upon demand or b) at the sole option of the County's Auditor-Controller, deducted from any amounts due to the Contractor from the County, whether under this Contract or otherwise. If such audit finds that the County's dollar liability for such work is more than the payments made by the County to the Contractor, then the difference shall be paid to the Contractor by the County by cash payment, provided that in no event shall the County's maximum obligation for this Contract exceed the funds appropriated by the County for the purpose of this Contract.

2.39 RECYCLED BOND PAPER

Consistent with the Board of Supervisors' policy to reduce the amount of solid waste deposited at the County landfills, the Contractor agrees to use recycled-content paper to the maximum extent possible on this Contract.

2.40 SUBCONTRACTING

2.40.1 The requirements of this Contract may not be subcontracted by the Contractor **without the advance written approval of the County**. Any attempt by the Contractor to subcontract without the prior consent of the County may be deemed a material breach of this Contract.

2.40.2 If the Contractor desires to subcontract, the Contractor shall provide the following information promptly at the County's request:

- A description of the work to be performed by the Subcontractor;

- A draft copy of the proposed subcontract; and
- Other pertinent information and/or certifications requested by the County.

2.40.3 The Contractor shall indemnify, defend and hold the County harmless with respect to the activities of each and every Subcontractor in the same manner and to the same degree as if such Subcontractor(s) were the Contractor employees.

2.40.4 The Contractor shall remain fully responsible for all performances required of it under this Contract, including those that the Contractor has determined to subcontract, notwithstanding the County's approval of the Contractor's proposed subcontract.

2.40.5 The County's consent to subcontract shall not waive the County's right to prior and continuing approval of any and all personnel, including Subcontractor employees, providing services under this Contract. The Contractor is responsible to notify its Subcontractors of this County right.

2.40.6 The Department's Director is authorized to act for and on behalf of the County with respect to approval of any subcontract and Subcontractor employees. After approval of the subcontract by the County, Contractor shall forward a fully executed subcontract to the County for their files.

2.40.7 The Contractor shall be solely liable and responsible for all payments or other compensation to all Subcontractors and their officers, employees, agents, and successors in interest arising through services performed hereunder, notwithstanding the County's consent to subcontract.

2.40.8 The Contractor shall obtain certificates of insurance, which establish that the Subcontractor maintains all the programs of insurance required by the County from each approved Subcontractor. The Contractor shall ensure delivery of all such documents to:

**Los Angeles County Department of Beaches and Harbors
Administrative Services Division / Contracts Unit
13483 Fiji Way, Trailer 3
Marina del Rey, California 90292**

before any Subcontractor employee may perform any work hereunder.

2.41 TERMINATION FOR BREACH OF WARRANTY TO MAINTAIN COMPLIANCE WITH COUNTY'S CHILD SUPPORT COMPLIANCE PROGRAM

Failure of the Contractor to maintain compliance with the requirements set forth in Section 2.14 - Contractor's Warranty of Adherence to County's Child Support Compliance Program, shall constitute default under this Contract. Without limiting the rights and remedies available to the County under any other provision of this Contract, failure of the Contractor to cure such default within ninety (90) calendar days of written notice shall be grounds upon which the County may terminate this Contract pursuant to Section 2.44 - Termination for Default and pursue debarment of the Contractor, pursuant to County Code Chapter 2.202.

2.42 TERMINATION FOR BREACH OF WARRANTY TO MAINTAIN COMPLIANCE WITH COUNTY'S DEFAULTED PROPERTY TAX REDUCTION PROGRAM

Failure of Contractor to maintain compliance with the requirements set forth in Section 2.52 "Warranty of Compliance with County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program" shall constitute default under this Contract. Without limiting the rights and remedies available to County under any other provision of this Contract, failure of Contractor to cure such default within 10 days of notice shall be grounds upon which County may terminate this Contract and/or pursue debarment of Contractor, pursuant to County Code Chapter 2.206.

2.43 TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE

2.43.1 This Contract may be terminated, in whole or in part, from time to time, when such action is deemed by the County, in its sole discretion, to be in its best interest. Termination of work hereunder shall be effected by notice of termination to the Contractor specifying the extent to which performance of work is terminated and the date upon which such termination becomes effective. The date upon which such termination

becomes effective shall be no less than ten (10) days after the notice is sent.

2.43.2 After receipt of a notice of termination and except as otherwise directed by the County, the Contractor shall:

- Stop work under this Contract on the date and to the extent specified in such notice, and
- Complete performance of such part of the work as shall not have been terminated by such notice.

2.43.3 All material including books, records, documents, or other evidence bearing on the costs and expenses of the Contractor under this Contract shall be maintained by the Contractor in accordance with Section 2.38, Record Retention & Inspection/Audit Settlement.

2.44 TERMINATION FOR DEFAULT

2.44.1 The County may, by written notice to the Contractor, terminate the whole or any part of this Contract, if, in the judgment of the Department's Director:

- Contractor has materially breached this Contract; or
- Contractor fails to timely provide and/or satisfactorily perform any task, deliverable, service, or other work required either under this Contract; or
- Contractor fails to demonstrate a high probability of timely fulfillment of performance requirements under this Contract, or of any obligations of this Contract and in either case, fails to demonstrate convincing progress toward a cure within five (5) working days (or such longer period as the County may authorize in writing) after receipt of written notice from the County specifying such failure.

2.44.2 In the event that the County terminates this Contract in whole or in part as provided in Section 2.44.1, the County may procure, upon such terms and in such manner as the County may deem appropriate, goods and services similar to those so terminated. The Contractor shall be liable to the County for any and all excess costs incurred by the County, as determined by the

County, for such similar goods and services. The Contractor shall continue the performance of this Contract to the extent not terminated under the provisions of this Section.

2.44.3 Except with respect to defaults of any Subcontractor, the Contractor shall not be liable for any such excess costs of the type identified in Section 2.44.2 if its failure to perform this Contract arises out of causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor. Such causes may include, but are not limited to: acts of God or of the public enemy, acts of the County in either its sovereign or contractual capacity, acts of Federal or State governments in their sovereign capacities, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, strikes, freight embargoes, and unusually severe weather; but in every case, the failure to perform must be beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor. If the failure to perform is caused by the default of a Subcontractor, and if such default arises out of causes beyond the control of both the Contractor and Subcontractor, and without the fault or negligence of either of them, the Contractor shall not be liable for any such excess costs for failure to perform, unless the goods or services to be furnished by the Subcontractor were obtainable from other sources in sufficient time to permit the Contractor to meet the required performance schedule. As used in this Section 2.44.3, the terms "Subcontractor" and "Subcontractors" mean Subcontractor(s) at any tier.

2.44.4 If, after the County has given notice of termination under the provisions of this Section 2.44, it is determined by the County that the Contractor was not in default under the provisions of this Section 2.44, or that the default was excusable under the provisions of Section 2.44.3, the rights and obligations of the parties shall be the same as if the notice of termination had been issued pursuant to Section 2.43-Termination for Convenience.

2.44.5 The rights and remedies of the County provided in this Section 2.44 shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Contract.

2.45 TERMINATION FOR IMPROPER CONSIDERATION

2.45.1 The County may, by written notice to the Contractor, immediately terminate the right of the Contractor to proceed under this Contract if it is found that consideration, in any form, was offered or given by the Contractor, either directly or through an intermediary, to any County officer, employee, or agent with the intent of securing this Contract or securing favorable treatment with respect to the award, amendment, or extension of this Contract or the making of any determinations with respect to the Contractor's performance pursuant to this Contract. In the event of such termination, the County shall be entitled to pursue the same remedies against the Contractor as it could pursue in the event of default by the Contractor.

2.45.2 The Contractor shall immediately report any attempt by a County officer or employee to solicit such improper consideration. The report shall be made either to the County manager charged with the supervision of the employee or to the County Auditor-Controller's Employee Fraud Hotline at (800) 544-6861.

2.45.3 Among other items, such improper consideration may take the form of cash, discounts, service, the provision of travel or entertainment, or tangible gifts.

2.46 TERMINATION FOR INSOLVENCY

2.46.1 The County may terminate this Contract forthwith in the event of the occurrence of any of the following:

- Insolvency of the Contractor. The Contractor shall be deemed to be insolvent if it has ceased to pay its debts for at least sixty (60) days in the ordinary course of business or cannot pay its debts as they become due, whether or not a petition has been filed under the Federal Bankruptcy Code and whether or not the Contractor is insolvent within the meaning of the Federal Bankruptcy Code;
- The filing of a voluntary or involuntary petition regarding the Contractor under the Federal Bankruptcy Code;

- The appointment of a Receiver or Trustee for the Contractor; or
- The execution by the Contractor of a general assignment for the benefit of creditors.

2.46.2 The rights and remedies of the County provided in this Section 2.46 shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Contract.

2.47 TERMINATION FOR NON-ADHERANCE OF COUNTY LOBBYIST ORDINANCE

The Contractor, and each County Lobbyist or County Lobbying firm as defined in County Code Section 2.160.010 retained by the Contractor, shall fully comply with the County's Lobbyist Ordinance, County Code Chapter 2.160. Failure on the part of the Contractor or any County Lobbyist or County Lobbying firm retained by the Contractor to fully comply with the County's Lobbyist Ordinance shall constitute a material breach of this Contract, upon which the County may in its sole discretion, immediately terminate or suspend this Contract.

2.48 TERMINATION FOR NON-APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Contract, the County shall not be obligated for the Contractor's performance hereunder or by any provision of this Contract during any of the County's future fiscal years unless and until the County's Board of Supervisors appropriates funds for this Contract in the County's Budget for each such future fiscal year. In the event that funds are not appropriated for this Contract, then this Contract shall terminate as of June 30 of the last fiscal year for which funds were appropriated. The County shall notify the Contractor in writing of any such non-allocation of funds at the earliest possible date.

2.49 VALIDITY

If any provision of this Contract or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of this Contract and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

2.50 WAIVER

No waiver by the County of any breach of any provision of this Contract shall constitute a waiver of any other breach or of such provision. Failure of the County to enforce at any time, or from time to time, any provision of this Contract shall not be construed as a waiver thereof. The rights and remedies set forth in this Section 2.50 shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Contract.

2.51 WARRANTY AGAINST CONTINGENT FEES

2.51.1 The Contractor warrants that no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure this Contract upon any contract or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee, excepting bona fide employees or bona fide established commercial or selling agencies maintained by the Contractor for the purpose of securing business.

2.51.2 For breach of this warranty, the County shall have the right to terminate this Contract and, at its sole discretion, deduct from the Contract price or consideration, or otherwise recover, the full amount of such commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee.

2.52 WARRANTY OF COMPLIANCE WITH COUNTY'S DEFAULTED PROPERTY TAX REDUCTION PROGRAM

Contractor acknowledges that County has established a goal of ensuring that all individuals and businesses that benefit financially from County through contract are current in paying their property tax obligations (secured and unsecured roll) in order to mitigate the economic burden otherwise imposed upon County and its taxpayers.

Unless Contractor qualifies for an exemption or exclusion, Contractor warrants and certifies that to the best of its knowledge it is now in compliance, and during the term of this Contract will maintain compliance with Los Angeles County Code Chapter 2.206.

LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF BEACHES AND HARBORS

SAMPLE CONTRACT

**CALIFORNIA COASTAL COMMISSION
CONSULTANT SERVICES**

PART THREE - UNIQUE TERMS AND CONDITIONS

3.0 UNIQUE TERMS AND CONDITIONS

3.1 LOCAL SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (SBE) PREFERENCE PROGRAM

3.1.1 This Contract is subject to the provisions of the County's ordinance entitled Local Small Business Enterprise Preference Program, as codified in Chapter 2.204 of the Los Angeles County Code.

3.1.2 The Contractor shall not knowingly and with the intent to defraud, fraudulently obtain, retain, attempt to obtain or retain, or aid another in fraudulently obtaining or retaining or attempting to obtain or retain certification as a Local Small Business Enterprise.

3.1.3 The Contractor shall not willfully and knowingly make a false statement with the intent to defraud, whether by affidavit, report, or other representation, to a County official or employee for the purpose of influencing the certification or denial of certification of any entity as a Local small business enterprise

3.1.4 If the Contractor has obtained certification as a Local Small Business Enterprise by reason of having furnished incorrect supporting information or by reason of having withheld information, and which knew, or should have known, the information furnished was incorrect or the information withheld was relevant to its request for certification, and which by reason of such certification has been awarded this Contract to which it would not otherwise have been entitled, shall:

1. Pay to the County any difference between the Contract amount and what the County's costs would have been if the Contract had been properly awarded;

2. In addition to the amount described in subdivision (1), be assessed a penalty in an amount of not more than 10 percent of the amount of the Contract; and
3. Be subject to the provisions of Chapter 2.202 of the Los Angeles County Code (Determinations of Contractor Non-responsibility and Contractor Debarment).

The above penalties shall also apply to any business that has previously obtained proper certification, however, as a result of a change in their status would no longer be eligible for certification, and fails to notify the state and Internal Services Department of this information prior to responding to a solicitation or accepting a contract award.

3.2 TRANSITIONAL JOB OPPORTUNITIES PREFERENCE PROGRAM

3.2.1 This Contract is subject to the provisions of the County's ordinance entitled Transitional Job Opportunities Preference Program, as codified in Chapter 2.205 of the Los Angeles County Code.

3.2.2 Contractor shall not knowingly and with the intent to defraud, fraudulently obtain, retain, attempt to obtain or retain, or aid another in fraudulently obtaining or retaining or attempting to obtain or retain certification as a Transitional Job Opportunity vendor.

3.2.3 Contractor shall not willfully and knowingly make a false statement with the intent to defraud, whether by affidavit, report, or other representation, to a County official or employee for the purpose of influencing the certification or denial of certification of any entity as a Transitional Job Opportunity vendor.

3.2.4 If Contractor has obtained County certification as a Transitional Job Opportunity vendor by reason of having furnished incorrect supporting information or by reason of having withheld information, and which knew, or should have known, the information furnished was incorrect or the information withheld was relevant to its request for certification, and which by reason of such certification has been awarded this Contract to which it would not otherwise have been entitled, shall:

1. Pay to the County any difference between the Contract Sum and what the County's costs would have been if the Contract had been properly awarded;
2. In addition to the amount described in subdivision (1), be assessed a penalty in an amount of not more than 10 percent (10%) of the amount of the Contract; and
3. Be subject to the provisions of Chapter 2.202 of the Los Angeles County Code (Determinations of Contractor Non-Responsibility and Contractor Debarment).

The above penalties shall also apply to any entity that has previously obtained proper certification, however, as a result of a change in their status would no longer be eligible for certification, and fails to notify the certifying department of this information prior to responding to a solicitation or accepting a contract award.

3.3 EMPLOYEE CONFLICTS

Contractor shall accept no employment which conflicts with its obligations to the County under the Contract and shall disclose any existing potential or actual conflict of interest prior to accepting an assignment. Contractor certifies that it has disclosed to the County any potential or actual conflicts of the type described in this Section 3.3 which existed as of the date hereof. All employment by Contractor on behalf of persons or entities that have an existing interest pertaining to real property within Marina del Rey is prohibited. Such existing interests include, but are not limited to: a leasehold, sublease, concession, permit, contract for the operation or management of real property, pending development proposal or pending lease proposal. Employment by Contractor on behalf of persons or entities with such interests is prohibited whether the employment is related to Marina del Rey property or not.

The prohibition shall continue in effect until the later of (1) one year from the termination or expiration of this Contract or any extension period; or (2) if the Contractor has performed work for the County related to an interest of

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the County has, by order of its Board of Supervisors, caused this Contract to be subscribed by said County and attested by the Executive Officer thereof, and the Contractor, by its duly authorized representative, has executed the same, as of the day, month, and year set forth below.

CONTRACTOR

By _____

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

By _____
Chairman, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

SACHI A. HAMAI
Executive Officer-Clerk
of the Board of Supervisors

By _____
Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

JOHN F. KRATTLI
Acting County Counsel

By _____
Senior Deputy County Counsel

ATTACHMENT B

STATEMENT OF WORK

**LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF BEACHES AND HARBORS
STATEMENT OF WORK
CALIFORNIA COASTAL COMMISSION CONSULTANT SERVICES**

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LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF BEACHES AND HARBORS
STATEMENT OF WORK
CALIFORNIA COASTAL COMMISSION CONSULTANT SERVICES

1.0 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

1.1 Scope of Work

The Contractor shall be capable of providing the services as listed in the Statement of Work (SOW).

1.2 Contractor's Work Plan

Subject to all other terms and conditions of the Contract, Contractor shall perform the work and maintain quality control in accordance with the Work Plan and other representations submitted with the Contractor's Proposal.

1.3 Contractor's Expenses

The Contractor shall at its own expense provide all labor, material, supplies, licenses, registrations, data systems, transportation, meals, lodging, services and expenses required for the work.

1.4 Personal Services of Designated Persons Required

This Contract provides that the individuals identified in the Contractor's proposal must personally perform or lead the professional services required by the Contract. The failure of those persons to render those services shall be deemed a material breach of the Contract for which the County may terminate the Contract and recover damages. Should it be necessary for the Contractor to substitute an equally qualified professional for an individual named in the proposal, the Contractor shall request the Contract Administrator's written approval, which shall not be unreasonably withheld.

1.5 Proprietary Rights

All materials, data and other information of any kind obtained from County personnel and all materials, data, reports and other information of any kind developed by the Contractor under the Contract are the property of the County, and the Contractor agrees to take all necessary measures to

protect the security and confidentiality of all such materials, data, reports and information. The provisions of this paragraph shall survive the expiration or other termination of the Contract.

2.0 ADDITION AND/OR DELETION OF SPECIFIC TASKS, AND/OR WORK HOURS

2.1 The Department reserves the right to add/delete specific tasks, facilities and/or work hours throughout the term of this Contract.

2.2 All changes must be made in accordance with Attachment A, Sample Contract, Section 2.1, Amendments.

3.0 CONTRACTOR'S QUALITY CONTROL PLAN

3.1 Purpose of Standards

The Contractor will observe, at a minimum, the standards set forth in this Section 3.0, and acknowledges that the adequacy of its compliance with the Contract shall be measured by these standards as well as all other terms and conditions of the Contract.

3.2 Contractor's Quality Control Plan

The Contractor shall comply with Contractor's quality control plan set forth in Form P-7, which shall be incorporated in the Contract by reference. To the extent that provisions of Contractor's quality control plan are inconsistent with any other part of the Contract, as determined by the Department in its sole discretion, they shall be ineffective. The Contractor shall not change the quality control plan without written approval of the Director or his designee. The plan shall include, but is not limited to, the following:

- A plan for reviewing the work of Proposer and Proposer's staff and ensuring its accuracy and compliance with professional standards;
- A plan for ensuring that interim deadlines, if any, and delivery dates are met; and

- The methods for identifying and preventing unsatisfactory performance of the Contract work.

4.0 QUALITY ASSURANCE PLAN

The County will evaluate the Contractor's performance under this Contract using the quality assurance procedures as defined in Attachment A, Sample Contract, sub-paragraph 2.15, County's Quality Assurance Plan.

4.1 General Requirements

The following requirements shall be observed:

- Contractor shall meet deadlines set by the Contract Administrator;
- Contractor shall timely complete reports required by the Contract;
- Contractor shall accurately report hourly services; and
- Contractor shall promptly return calls of County agents and employees.

4.2 Contract Discrepancy Report (Attachment B-1)

Verbal notification of a Contract discrepancy will be made to the Contract Representative as soon as possible whenever a Contract discrepancy is identified. The problem shall be resolved within a time period mutually agreed upon by the County and the Contractor.

The Contract Administrator will determine whether a formal Contract Discrepancy Report shall be issued. Upon receipt of this document, the Contractor is required to respond in writing to the Contract Administrator within three workdays, acknowledging the reported discrepancies or presenting contrary evidence. A plan for correction of all deficiencies identified in the Contract Discrepancy Report shall be submitted to the Contract Administrator within five workdays.

- 4.3** The Contract Administrator may issue a Contract Discrepancy Report to the Contractor in any incident of failure to comply with the performance standards or other unacceptable performance. In the case of continuing deficiencies, the Contract Administrator may issue a separate Contract Discrepancy Report each day the deficiency continues.

4.4 The Director may excuse the incident, assess and collect liquidated damages in the manner and amounts described in the Statement of Work, Attachment B1, Performance Requirements Summary or proceed with Contract termination as provided in Attachment A, Sample Contract, subparagraph 2.44, Termination for Default.

4.5 County Observations

In addition to departmental contracting staff, other County personnel may observe performance, activities, and review documents relevant to this Contract at any time during normal business hours. However, these personnel may not unreasonably interfere with the Contractor's performance.

5.0 RESPONSIBILITIES

The County's and the Contractor's responsibilities are as follows:

COUNTY

5.1 County's Contract Administrator

5.1.1 The Department shall appoint a Contract Administrator (CA) who shall have the authority to act for the County in the administration of the Contract except where action of the Director or another official is expressly required by the Contract.

5.1.2 The CA will be responsible for ensuring that the objectives of the Contract are met and shall direct the Contractor as to the County's policy, information and procedural requirements.

5.1.3 The Contractor's work shall be subject to the CA's acceptance and approval, which shall not be unreasonably withheld.

5.1.4 The CA is not authorized to make any changes in the terms and conditions of the Contract or to obligate the County in any manner.

CONTRACTOR

5.2 Contractor's Representative

5.2.1 The Contractor shall designate a full-time employee as the Contractor's Representative (CR) who shall be responsible for Contractor's day-to-day activities and shall be available to County Staff on reasonable telephone notice. The Contractor may designate himself or herself as the CR. Work hours are to be 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., unless otherwise agreed to in advance. Any request to deviate from the work schedule must be submitted in writing at least two weeks in advance of any change.

5.2.2 The CR shall have full authority to act for the Contractor on all matters relating to the day-to-day operations of the Contract work. The CR shall be able to effectively communicate in English orally and in writing. The CR shall make inspections, answer questions, resolve problems, respond to emergencies, keep logs and approve reports. The Contractor shall obtain the approval of the CA before replacing the CR.

5.3 Contractor's Staff

5.3.1 Contractor shall meet all deadlines set by Contract Administrator.

5.3.2 Reports required by the Contract or any Work Order shall be completed on time.

5.3.3 Contractor shall attend meetings and presentations at places specified by the Contract Administrator. Contractor shall appear on time for meetings and presentations and exhibit professional conduct at all times.

5.3.4 Written work and graphics shall appear clean, well executed and professionally prepared.

5.3.5 At County's request, Contractor shall immediately remove any employee who is performing the Contract work in an unsatisfactory manner. The County shall not be required to state the reason or otherwise justify its demand.

5.4 Contractor's Office

5.4.1 The Contractor shall maintain an address at which its principal officers or owners may be contacted personally by email, mail or telephone.

5.4.2 The Contractor shall maintain communication systems that will enable the Department to contact the Contractor at all times during regular business hours.

5.4.3 The Contractor shall provide an answering service and voicemail to receive calls at any time the Contractor's office is closed. The Contractor shall monitor calls received on a daily basis when the Contractor's office is closed and shall return calls during business hours not later than the next business day and as soon as reasonably possible if the call is designated urgent. The Contractor shall respond to calls received by the answering service within one half-hour hour of receipt of the call.

6.0 SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED

- 6.1** The Contractor's services shall include, but are not limited to the following:
- Refine and implement strategies for conveying factual information to the California Coastal Commission (Coastal Commission) staff and Commissioners that will ensure fully informed recommendations and action on the Department's permit applications;
 - Interact with and educate Coastal Commission Commissioners individually about any particular project the Department may have up for Coastal Commission consideration;
 - Prepare Local Coastal Program amendments;
 - Assist in the preparation of environmental documents and provide consultant services on environmental issues pertaining to the beach and marina;
 - Present information and advocate the Department's position to the Coastal Commission staff and Commissioners verbally and in writing,

when required by the Department or the Department of Regional Planning;

- Identify and serve as an advocate on all beach and marina issues, development projects and other matters concerning the Department;
- Render additional advice the Department may require in connection with its plan and permit applications;
- Appear at such times and places as the County may require to provide consulting services, upon reasonable notice;
- Provide expert testimony on Coastal Commission-related issues at arbitration or other judicial proceedings;
- Provide monthly reports of meetings and other contacts that document advocacy efforts, detailing communications with Commissioners and staff, and making recommendations on follow-up activities; and
- Perform other duties as required by the Director or his designee.

6.2 Acceptance of Work

The acceptance of Contractor's work shall be subject to the following:

- Contractor shall make the contract work available for inspection by the Contract Administrator at any time upon reasonable notice;
- Contractor shall immediately notify the Department of any difficulties that will cause a project's delay;
- Contractor shall ensure the quality of each project assigned or reports required and meet all deadlines for completion of such projects/reports as set by the Contract Administrator;
- There shall be no maximum or minimum number of service hours to be provided monthly. The number of hours required will be determined by the work flow and requirements of the Department.

7.0 REPORTS

7.1 Contractor to Prepare Monthly Reports

The Contractor shall report to the Contract Administrator on a monthly basis in writing, describing the services rendered and matters delivered during the period, the charges for the services rendered, the balance of funds remaining under the Work Order and the Contract and any facts which may jeopardize the completion of the project or any intermediate deadlines.

7.2 Contractor to Prepare Final Project Report

When required by the Work Order, the Contractor shall prepare a final written report upon completion of the assigned work summarizing the Contractor's findings, recommendations, plans and designs in accordance with the Contract Administrator's instructions.

7.3 Contractor to Maintain CAD files

The Contractor shall maintain any computer-assisted drafting (CAD) files and other drafting documents prepared for the Department and shall deliver copies of the files and documents to the Department upon the Contract Administrator's request.

8.0 GREEN INITIATIVES

8.1 Contractor shall use reasonable efforts to initiate "green" practices for environmental and energy conservation benefits.

8.2 Contractor shall notify County's Contract Administrator of Contractor's new green initiatives prior to the contract commencement.

9.0 PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS SUMMARY

All listings of services used in the Performance Requirements Summary (PRS) are intended to be completely consistent with the Contract and the SOW, and are not meant in any case to create, extend, revise, or expand any obligation of Contractor beyond that defined in the Contract and the SOW. In any case of apparent inconsistency between services as stated in the Contract and the SOW

and this PRS, the meaning apparent in the Contract and the SOW will prevail. If any service seems to be created in this PRS which is not clearly and forthrightly set forth in the Contract and the SOW, that apparent service will be null and void and place no requirement on Contractor.

9.1 The Contractor agrees to and accepts the performance standards, including, but not limited to, the sums set forth as liquidated damages for unacceptable performance.

ATTACHMENT B- 1

CONTRACT DISCREPANCY REPORT

TO: _____

FROM: _____

DATES: _____

Prepared: _____

Returned by Contractor: _____

Action Completed: _____

DISCREPANCY PROBLEMS: _____

Signature of County Contract Administrator

Date

CONTRACTOR RESPONSE (Cause and Corrective Action): _____

Signature of Authorized Contractor Representative

Date

COUNTY EVALUATION OF CONTRACTOR RESPONSE: _____

Signature of County Representative

Date

COUNTY ACTIONS: _____

CONTRACTOR NOTIFIED OF ACTION

Contract Administrator Signature and Date _____

Contractor Representative's Signature and Date _____

PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS SUMMARY (PRS)
CALIFORNIA COASTAL COMMISSION CONSULTANT SERVICES

SPECIFIC PERFORMANCE REFERENCE	SERVICE	MONITORING METHOD	LIQUIDATED DAMAGES
SAMPLE CONTRACT: SUB-PARAGRAPH 1.5 – <i>INVOICES & PAYMENTS</i>	Contractor shall submit invoices by the 15 th of each month	Review of Invoices	\$50 per occurrence
SAMPLE CONTRACT: PARAGRAPH 2.38 – <i>RECORD RETENTION & INSPECTION/AUDIT SETTLEMENT</i>	Contractor shall maintain all required records as specified	Inspection of Files	\$50 per occurrence
STATEMENT OF WORK: PARAGRAPH 3.0 – <i>CONTRACTOR'S QUALITY CONTROL PLAN</i>	Contractor shall observe & comply with its quality control plan	Observation & Documentation	\$100 per occurrence
STATEMENT OF WORK: PARAGRAPH 4.0 – <i>QUALITY ASSURANCE PLAN</i>	Contractor shall observe & comply with County's quality assurance plan	Observation & Documentation	\$100 per occurrence
STATEMENT OF WORK: SUB-PARAGRAPH 5.2 – <i>RESPONSIBILITIES - CONTRACTOR</i>	Contractor shall designate a full-time employee as the Contractor's Representative	Observation	\$50 per occurrence
STATEMENT OF WORK: SUB-PARAGRAPH 5.3.1 – <i>RESPONSIBILITIES – CONTRACTOR'S STAFF</i>	Contractor shall meet all deadlines set by the Contract Administrator	Observation & Documentation	\$100 per occurrence
STATEMENT OF WORK: SUB-PARAGRAPH 5.3.2 – <i>RESPONSIBILITIES – CONTRACTOR'S STAFF</i>	Contractor's reports shall be completed on time	Observation & Documentation	\$100 per occurrence
STATEMENT OF WORK: SUB-PARAGRAPH 5.3.3 - <i>RESPONSIBILITIES – CONTRACTOR'S STAFF</i>	Contractor shall attend meetings and presentations as specified by the Contract Administrator	Observation	\$100 per occurrence
STATEMENT OF WORK: SUB-PARAGRAPH 5.3.4 - <i>RESPONSIBILITIES – CONTRACTOR'S STAFF</i>	Contractor's written work and graphics shall appear neat and professionally prepared	Observation	\$50 per occurrence
STATEMENT OF WORK: PARAGRAPH 5.4 – <i>RESPONSIBILITIES - CONTRACTOR'S OFFICE</i>	Department shall be able to contact Contractor at all times during regular business hours	Observation & Documentation	\$50 per occurrence
STATEMENT OF WORK: PARAGRAPH 6.0 – <i>SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED</i>	Contractor shall perform all duties as stated	Observation & Documentation	\$100 per occurrence
STATEMENT OF WORK: PARAGRAPH 6.0 – <i>SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED</i>	Contractor shall provide monthly reports of meetings documenting advocacy efforts	Observation & Documentation	\$50 per occurrence
STATEMENT OF WORK: PARAGRAPH 7.0 – <i>REPORTS</i>	Contractor shall prepare final project report when required by Work Order	Observation & Documentation	\$100 per occurrence

ATTACHMENT C

Transmittal Form to Request Solicitation Requirements Review

TRANSMITTAL FORM TO REQUEST A RFP SOLICITATION REQUIREMENTS REVIEW

A Solicitation Requirements Review must be received by the County within 10 business days of issuance of the solicitation document

Proposer Name:	Date of Request:
Project Title:	Project No.

A **Solicitation Requirements Review** is being requested because the Proposer asserts that they are being unfairly disadvantaged for the following reason(s): *(check all that apply)*

- Application of **Minimum Requirements**
- Application of **Evaluation Criteria**
- Application of **Business Requirements**
- Due to **unclear instructions**, the process may result in the County not receiving the best possible responses.

I understand that this request must be received by the County within **10 business days** of issuance of the solicitation document.

For each area contested, Proposer must explain in detail the factual reasons for the requested review. *(Attach additional pages and supporting documentation as necessary.)*

Request submitted by:

(Name)

(Title)

For County use only

Date Transmittal Received by County: _____ Date Solicitation Released: _____

Reviewed by: _____

Results of Review - Comments:

Date Response sent to Proposer: _____

EXHIBITS

WORK ORDER

CALIFORNIA COASTAL COMMISSION CONSULTANT SERVICES

Date: _____
Contractor: _____

 Tel: () _____
Contract Administrator: _____

 Tel: () _____
Work Order Issue Date: _____
Maximum Compensation: \$ _____
Project Completion Date: _____

PROJECT

Describe work and deliverable items: _____

Additional Pages

Acceptance. Contractor's signature on this document constitutes acceptance of an agreement with the County of Los Angeles to perform the work described under the terms and conditions of this Work Order as well as each of the terms and conditions of the Contract, which is incorporated in full in this Work Order by this reference.

Compensation. Compensation shall be paid at the Contractor's hourly rates provided in Form P-1 of the Contract, subject to all of its terms and conditions, and shall not exceed the maximum amount stated above.

Director/Chief Deputy: _____ Date: _____

Contractor's Representative: _____ Date: _____

County of Los Angeles Policy on Doing Business with Small Business

Forty-two percent of businesses in Los Angeles County have five or fewer employees. Only about four percent of businesses in the area exceed 100 employees. According to the Los Angeles Times and local economists, it is not large corporations, but these small companies that are generating new jobs and helping move Los Angeles County out of its worst recession in decades.

WE RECOGNIZE. . . .

The importance of small business to the County. . .

- i in fueling local economic growth
- i providing new jobs
- i creating new local tax revenues
- i offering new entrepreneurial opportunity to those historically under-represented in business

The County can play a positive role in helping small business grow. . .

- i as a multi-billion dollar purchaser of goods and services
- i as a broker of intergovernmental cooperation among numerous local jurisdictions
- i by greater outreach in providing information and training
- i by simplifying the bid/proposal process
- i by maintaining selection criteria which are fair to all
- i by streamlining the payment process

WE THEREFORE SHALL:

1. Constantly seek to streamline and simplify our processes for selecting our vendors and for conducting business with them.
2. Maintain a strong outreach program, fully-coordinated among our departments and districts, as well as other participating governments to: a) inform and assist the local business community in competing to provide goods and services; b) provide for ongoing dialogue with and involvement by the business community in implementing this policy.
3. Continually review and revise how we package and advertise solicitations, evaluate and select prospective vendors, address subcontracting and conduct business with our vendors, in order to: a) expand opportunity for small business to compete for our business; and b) to further opportunities for all businesses to compete regardless of size.
4. Insure that staff who manage and carry out the business of purchasing goods and services are well trained, capable and highly motivated to carry out the letter and spirit of this policy.

Listing of Contractors Debarred in Los Angeles County

Vendor Name:	G COAST CONSTRUCTION INC.
Alias:	
Debarment Start Date:	9/11/2007 Debarment End Date: 9/10/2012
Principal Owners and/or Affiliates:	Ezra Levi
Vendor Name:	INSPECTION ENGINEERING CONSTR
Alias:	Inspection Engineering Construction
Debarment Start Date:	6/13/2006 Debarment End Date: 6/12/2016
Principal Owners and/or Affiliates:	Jamal Deaifi
Vendor Name:	ARROWHEAD EMANCIPATION PROGRAM
Alias:	
Debarment Start Date:	7/8/2008 Debarment End Date: 12/31/2069
Principal Owners and/or Affiliates:	Irma F. Reed Charlene Williams
Vendor Name:	SAEICO, INC.
Alias:	
Debarment Start Date:	10/18/2011 Debarment End Date: 10/17/2016
Principal Owners and/or Affiliates:	Godwin Iwunze Sam Soho Nor
Vendor Name:	SAM SOHO NOR, AN INDIVIDUAL
Alias:	
Debarment Start Date:	10/18/2011 Debarment End Date: 10/17/2019

The List of Debarred Contractors in Los Angeles County may also be obtained by going to the following website:

http://lacounty.info/doing_business/DebarmentList.htm

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Chapter 2.203.010 through 2.203.090
CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEE JURY SERVICE

2.203.010 Findings.

The board of supervisors makes the following findings. The county of Los Angeles allows its permanent, full-time employees unlimited jury service at their regular pay. Unfortunately, many businesses do not offer or are reducing or even eliminating compensation to employees who serve on juries. This creates a potential financial hardship for employees who do not receive their pay when called to jury service, and those employees often seek to be excused from having to serve. Although changes in the court rules make it more difficult to excuse a potential juror on grounds of financial hardship, potential jurors continue to be excused on this basis, especially from longer trials. This reduces the number of potential jurors and increases the burden on those employers, such as the county of Los Angeles, who pay their permanent, full-time employees while on juror duty. For these reasons, the county of Los Angeles has determined that it is appropriate to require that the businesses with which the county contracts possess reasonable jury service policies. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

2.203.020 Definitions.

The following definitions shall be applicable to this chapter:

- A. "Contractor" means a person, partnership, corporation or other entity which has a contract with the county or a subcontract with a county contractor and has received or will receive an aggregate sum of \$50,000 or more in any 12-month period under one or more such contracts or subcontracts.
- B. "Employee" means any California resident who is a full-time employee of a contractor under the laws of California.
- C. "Contract" means any agreement to provide goods to, or perform services for or on behalf of, the county but does not include:
 - 1. A contract where the board finds that special circumstances exist that justify a waiver of the requirements of this chapter; or
 - 2. A contract where federal or state law or a condition of a federal or state program mandates the use of a particular contractor; or
 - 3. A purchase made through a state or federal contract; or
 - 4. A monopoly purchase that is exclusive and proprietary to a specific manufacturer, distributor, or reseller, and must match and inter-member with existing supplies, equipment or systems maintained by the county pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, Section P-3700 or a successor provision; or
 - 5. A revolving fund (petty cash) purchase pursuant to the Los Angeles County Fiscal Manual, Section 4.4.0 or a successor provision; or
 - 6. A purchase card purchase pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, Section P-2810 or a successor provision; or
 - 7. A non-agreement purchase with a value of less than \$5,000 pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, Section A-0300 or a successor provision; or
 - 8. A bona fide emergency purchase pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, Section PP-1100 or a successor provision.

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- D. "Full time" means 40 hours or more worked per week, or a lesser number of hours if:
1. The lesser number is a recognized industry standard as determined by the chief administrative officer, or
 2. The contractor has a long-standing practice that defines the lesser number of hours as full time.
- E. "County" means the county of Los Angeles or any public entities for which the board of supervisors is the governing body. (Ord. 2002-0040 § 1, 2002: Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

2.203.030 Applicability.

This chapter shall apply to contractors who enter into contracts that commence after July 11, 2002. This chapter shall also apply to contractors with existing contracts which are extended into option years that commence after July 11, 2002. Contracts that commence after May 28, 2002, but before July 11, 2002, shall be subject to the provisions of this chapter only if the solicitations for such contracts stated that the chapter would be applicable. (Ord. 2002-0040 § 2, 2002: Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

2.203.040 Contractor Jury Service Policy.

A contractor shall have and adhere to a written policy that provides that its employees shall receive from the contractor, on an annual basis, no less than five days of regular pay for actual jury service. The policy may provide that employees deposit any fees received for such jury service with the contractor or that the contractor deduct from the employees' regular pay the fees received for jury service. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

2.203.050 Other Provisions.

- A. Administration. The chief administrative officer shall be responsible for the administration of this chapter. The chief administrative officer may, with the advice of county counsel, issue interpretations of the provisions of this chapter and shall issue written instructions on the implementation and ongoing administration of this chapter. Such instructions may provide for the delegation of functions to other county departments.
- B. Compliance Certification. At the time of seeking a contract, a contractor shall certify to the county that it has and adheres to a policy consistent with this chapter or will have and adhere to such a policy prior to award of the contract. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

2.203.060 Enforcement and Remedies.

For a contractor's violation of any provision of this chapter, the county department head responsible for administering the contract may do one or more of the following:

1. Recommend to the board of supervisors the termination of the contract; and/or,
2. Pursuant to chapter 2.202, seek the debarment of the contractor. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

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2.203.070. Exceptions.

- A. Other Laws. This chapter shall not be interpreted or applied to any contractor or to any employee in a manner inconsistent with the laws of the United States or California.
- B. Collective Bargaining Agreements. This chapter shall be superseded by a collective bargaining agreement that expressly so provides.
- C. Small Business. This chapter shall not be applied to any contractor that meets all of the following:
 - 1. Has ten or fewer employees during the contract period; and,
 - 2. Has annual gross revenues in the preceding twelve months which, if added to the annual amount of the contract awarded, are less than \$500,000; and,
 - 3. Is not an affiliate or subsidiary of a business dominant in its field of operation.

“Dominant in its field of operation” means having more than ten employees and annual gross revenues in the preceding twelve months which, if added to the annual amount of the contract awarded, exceed \$500,000.

“Affiliate or subsidiary of a business dominant in its field of operation” means a business which is at least 20 percent owned by a business dominant in its field of operation, or by partners, officers, directors, majority stockholders, or their equivalent, of a business dominant in that field of operation. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

2.203.090. Severability.

If any provision of this chapter is found invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)



Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Notice 1015

(Rev. December 2011)

Have You Told Your Employees About the Earned Income Credit (EIC)?

What Is the EIC?

The EIC is a refundable tax credit for certain workers.

Which Employees Must I Notify About the EIC?

You must notify each employee who worked for you at any time during the year and from whom you did not withhold income tax. However, you do not have to notify any employee who claimed exemption from withholding on Form W-4, Employee's Withholding Allowance Certificate.

Note. You are encouraged to notify each employee whose wages for 2011 are less than \$49,078 that he or she may be eligible for the EIC.

How and When Must I Notify My Employees?

You must give the employee one of the following:

- The IRS Form W-2, Wage and Tax Statement, which has the required information about the EIC on the back of Copy B.
- A substitute Form W-2 with the same EIC information on the back of the employee's copy that is on Copy B of the IRS Form W-2.
- Notice 797, Possible Federal Tax Refund Due to the Earned Income Credit (EIC).
- Your written statement with the same wording as Notice 797.

If you are required to give Form W-2 and do so on time, no further notice is necessary if the Form W-2 has the required information about the EIC on the back of the employee's copy. If a substitute Form W-2 is given on time but does not have the required information, you must notify the employee within 1 week of the date the substitute Form W-2 is given. If Form W-2 is required but is not given on time, you must give the employee Notice 797 or your written statement by the date Form W-2 is required to be given. If Form W-2 is not required, you must notify the employee by February 7, 2012.

You must hand the notice directly to the employee or send it by first-class mail to the employee's last known address. You will not meet the notification requirements by posting Notice 797 on an employee bulletin board or sending it through office mail. However, you may want to post the notice to help inform all employees of the EIC. You can get copies of the notice from IRS.gov or by calling 1-800-829-3676.

How Will My Employees Know If They Can Claim the EIC?

The basic requirements are covered in Notice 797. For more detailed information, the employee needs to see Pub. 596, Earned Income Credit (EIC), or the instructions for Form 1040, 1040A, or 1040EZ.

How Do My Employees Claim the EIC?

Eligible employees claim the EIC on their 2011 tax return. Even employees who have no tax withheld from their pay or owe no tax can claim the EIC and get a refund, but they must file a tax return to do so. For example, if an employee has no tax withheld in 2011 and owes no tax but is eligible for a credit of \$829, he or she must file a 2011 tax return to get the \$829 refund.

Can My Employees Get Advance EIC Payments?

After 2010, your employees can no longer get advance payments of the credit in their pay during the year as they could in 2010 and earlier years, because the law changed. However, if they are eligible, they will still be able to claim the credit on their tax return.

Form W-5, Earned Income Credit Advance Payment Certificate, is no longer in use.

SAFELY SURRENDERED BABY LAW

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Safely Surrendered Baby Law

What is the Safely Surrendered Baby Law?

California's Safely Surrendered Baby Law allows parents or other persons, with lawful custody, which means anyone to whom the parent has given permission to confidentially surrender a baby. As long as the baby is three days (72 hours) of age or younger and has not been abused or neglected, the baby may be surrendered without fear of arrest or prosecution.

How does it work?

A distressed parent who is unable or unwilling to care for a baby can legally, confidentially, and safely surrender a baby within three days (72 hours) of birth. The baby must be handed to an employee at a hospital or fire station in Los Angeles County. As long as the baby shows no sign of abuse or neglect, no name or other information is required. In case the parent changes his or her mind at a later date and wants the baby back, staff will use bracelets to help connect them to each other. One bracelet will be placed on the baby, and a matching bracelet will be given to the parent or other surrendering adult.

What if a parent wants the baby back?

Parents who change their minds can begin the process of reclaiming their baby within 14 days. These parents should call the Los Angeles County Department of Children and Family Services at 1-800-540-4000.

Can only a parent bring in the baby?

No. While in most cases a parent will bring in the baby, the Law allows other people to bring in the baby if they have lawful custody.

Does the parent or surrendering adult have to call before bringing in the baby?

No. A parent or surrendering adult can bring in a baby anytime, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, as long as the parent or surrendering adult surrenders the baby to someone who works at the hospital or fire station.

Does the parent or surrendering adult have to tell anything to the people taking the baby?

No. However, hospital or fire station personnel will ask the surrendering party to fill out a questionnaire designed to gather important medical history information, which is very useful in caring for the baby. The questionnaire includes a stamped return envelope and can be sent in at a later time.

What happens to the baby?

The baby will be examined and given medical treatment. Upon release from the hospital, social workers immediately place the baby in a safe and loving home and begin the adoption process.

What happens to the parent or surrendering adult?

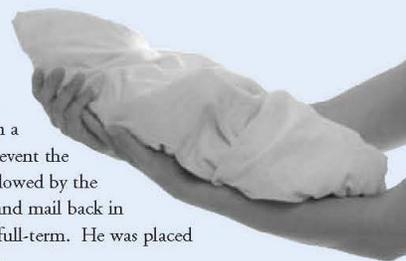
Once the parent or surrendering adult surrenders the baby to hospital or fire station personnel, they may leave at any time.

Why is California doing this?

The purpose of the Safely Surrendered Baby Law is to protect babies from being abandoned, hurt or killed by their parents. You may have heard tragic stories of babies left in dumpsters or public bathrooms. Their parents may have been under severe emotional distress. The mothers may have hidden their pregnancies, fearful of what would happen if their families found out. Because they were afraid and had no one or nowhere to turn for help, they abandoned their babies. Abandoning a baby is illegal and places the baby in extreme danger. Too often, it results in the baby's death. The Safely Surrendered Baby Law prevents this tragedy from ever happening again in California.

A baby's story

Early in the morning on April 9, 2005, a healthy baby boy was safely surrendered to nurses at Harbor-UCLA Medical Center. The woman who brought the baby to the hospital identified herself as the baby's aunt and stated the baby's mother had asked her to bring the baby to the hospital on her behalf. The aunt was given a bracelet with a number matching the anklet placed on the baby; this would provide some identification in the event the mother changed her mind about surrendering the baby and wished to reclaim the baby in the 14-day period allowed by the Law. The aunt was also provided with a medical questionnaire and said she would have the mother complete and mail back in the stamped return envelope provided. The baby was examined by medical staff and pronounced healthy and full-term. He was placed with a loving family that had been approved to adopt him by the Department of Children and Family Services.



Ley de Entrega de Bebés *Sin Peligro*



Los recién nacidos pueden ser entregados en forma segura al personal de cualquier hospital o cuartel de bomberos del Condado de Los Ángeles

Sin pena. Sin culpa. Sin nombres.

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Ley de Entrega de Bebés Sin Peligro

¿Qué es la Ley de Entrega de Bebés sin Peligro?

La Ley de Entrega de Bebés sin Peligro de California permite la entrega confidencial de un recién nacido por parte de sus padres u otras personas con custodia legal, es decir cualquier persona a quien los padres le hayan dado permiso. Siempre que el bebé tenga tres días (72 horas) de vida o menos, y no haya sufrido abuso ni negligencia, pueden entregar al recién nacido sin temor de ser arrestados o procesados.

Cada recién nacido se merece la oportunidad de tener una vida saludable. Si alguien que usted conoce está pensando en abandonar a un recién nacido, infórmele que tiene otras opciones. Hasta tres días (72 horas) después del nacimiento, se puede entregar un recién nacido al personal de cualquier hospital o cuartel de bomberos del condado de Los Angeles.

¿Cómo funciona?

El padre/madre con dificultades que no pueda o no quiera cuidar de su recién nacido puede entregarlo en forma legal, confidencial y segura dentro de los tres días (72 horas) del nacimiento. El bebé debe ser entregado a un empleado de cualquier hospital o cuartel de bomberos del Condado de Los Ángeles. Siempre que el bebé no presente signos de abuso o negligencia, no será necesario suministrar nombres ni información alguna. Si el padre/madre cambia de opinión posteriormente y desea recuperar a su bebé, los trabajadores utilizarán brazaletes para poder vincularlos. El bebé llevará un brazaletes y el padre/madre o el adulto que lo entregue recibirá un brazaletes igual.

¿Qué pasa si el padre/madre desea recuperar a su bebé?

Los padres que cambien de opinión pueden comenzar el proceso de reclamar a su recién nacido dentro de los 14 días. Estos padres deberán llamar al Departamento de Servicios para Niños y Familias (Department of Children and Family Services) del Condado de Los Ángeles al 1-800-540-4000.

¿Sólo los padres podrán llevar al recién nacido?

No. Si bien en la mayoría de los casos son los padres los que llevan al bebé, la ley permite que otras personas lo hagan si tienen custodia legal.

¿Los padres o el adulto que entrega al bebé deben llamar antes de llevar al bebé?

No. El padre/madre o adulto puede llevar al bebé en cualquier momento, las 24 horas del día, los 7 días de la semana, siempre y cuando entreguen a su bebé a un empleado del hospital o cuartel de bomberos.

¿Es necesario que el padre/madre o adulto diga algo a las personas que reciben al bebé?

No. Sin embargo, el personal del hospital o cuartel de bomberos le pedirá a la persona que entregue al bebé que llene un cuestionario con la finalidad de recabar antecedentes médicos importantes, que resultan de gran utilidad para cuidar bien del bebé. El cuestionario incluye un sobre con el sello postal pagado para enviarlo en otro momento.

¿Qué pasará con el bebé?

El bebé será examinado y le brindarán atención médica. Cuando le den el alta del hospital, los trabajadores sociales inmediatamente ubicarán al bebé en un hogar seguro donde estará bien atendido, y se comenzará el proceso de adopción.

¿Qué pasará con el padre/madre o adulto que entregue al bebé?

Una vez que los padres o adulto hayan entregado al bebé al personal del hospital o cuartel de bomberos, pueden irse en cualquier momento.

¿Por qué se está haciendo esto en California? ?

La finalidad de la Ley de Entrega de Bebés sin Peligro es proteger a los bebés para que no sean abandonados, lastimados o muertos por sus padres. Usted probablemente haya escuchado historias trágicas sobre bebés abandonados en basureros o en baños públicos. Los padres de esos bebés probablemente hayan estado pasando por dificultades emocionales graves. Las madres pueden haber ocultado su embarazo, por temor a lo que pasaría si sus familias se enteraran. Abandonaron a sus bebés porque tenían miedo y no tenían nadie a quien pedir ayuda. El abandono de un recién nacido es ilegal y pone al bebé en una situación de peligro extremo. Muy a menudo el abandono provoca la muerte del bebé. La Ley de Entrega de Bebés sin Peligro impide que vuelva a suceder esta tragedia en California.

Historia de un bebé

A la mañana temprano del día 9 de abril de 2005, se entregó un recién nacido saludable a las enfermeras del Harbor-UCLA Medical Center. La mujer que llevó el recién nacido al hospital se dio a conocer como la tía del bebé, y dijo que la madre le había pedido que llevara al bebé al hospital en su nombre. Le entregaron a la tía un brazaletes con un número que coincidía con la pulsera del bebé; esto serviría como identificación en caso de que la madre cambiara de opinión con respecto a la entrega del bebé y decidiera recuperarlo dentro del período de 14 días que permite esta ley. También le dieron a la tía un cuestionario médico, y ella dijo que la madre lo llenaría y lo enviaría de vuelta dentro del sobre con franqueo pagado que le habían dado. El personal médico examinó al bebé y se determinó que estaba saludable y a término. El bebé fue ubicado con una buena familia que ya había sido aprobada para adoptarlo por el Departamento de Servicios para Niños y Familias.



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2.202.010 Findings and declarations.

A. The board of supervisors finds that, in order to promote integrity in the county's contracting processes and to protect the public interest, the county's policy shall be to conduct business only with responsible contractors. The board of supervisors further finds that debarment is to be imposed only in the public interest for the county's protection and not for the purpose of punishment.

B. Determinations of contractor non-responsibility and contractor debarment shall be made in accordance with the procedures set forth in the ordinance codified in this chapter and implementation instructions issued by the auditor-controller. (Ord. 2005-0066 § 1, 2005: Ord. 2000-0011 § 1 (part), 2000.)

2.202.020 Definitions.

For purposes of this chapter, the following definitions apply:

A. "Contractor" means a person, partnership, corporation, or other entity who has contracted with, or is seeking to contract with, the county or a nonprofit corporation created by the county to provide goods to, or perform services for or on behalf of, the county or a nonprofit corporation created by the county. A contractor includes a contractor, subcontractor, vendor, or any person or entity who or which owns an interest of 10 percent or more in a contractor, subcontractor, or vendor.

B. "Contract" means any agreement to provide goods to, or perform services for or on behalf of, the county or a nonprofit corporation created by the county.

C. "Debarment" means an action taken by the county which results in a contractor being prohibited from bidding or proposing on, being awarded and/or performing work on a contract with the county. A contractor who has been determined by the county to be subject to such a prohibition is "debarred."

D. "Department head" means either the head of a department responsible for administering a particular contract for the county or the designee of same.

E. "County" means the county of Los Angeles, any public entities for which the board of supervisors is the governing body, and any joint powers authorities of which the county is a member that have adopted county contracting procedures.

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F. "Contractor hearing board" means the persons designated to preside over contractor debarment hearings and make recommendations on debarment to the board of supervisors.

G. Determination of "non-responsibility" means an action taken by the county which results in a contractor who submitted a bid or proposal on a particular contract being prohibited from being awarded and/or performing work on that contract. A contractor who has been determined by the county to be subject to such a prohibition is "non-responsible" for purposes of that particular contract.

H. "Bid or proposal" means a bid, proposal, or any other response to a solicitation submitted by or on behalf of a contractor seeking an award of a contract. (Ord. 2005-0066 § 2, 2005: Ord. 2004-0009 § 1, 2004: Ord. 2000-0011 § 1 (part), 2000.)

2.202.030 Determination of contractor non-responsibility.

A. Prior to a contract being awarded by the county, the county may determine that a contractor submitting a bid or proposal is non-responsible for purposes of that contract. In the event that the county determines that a contractor is non-responsible for a particular contract, said contractor shall be prohibited from being awarded and/or performing work on that contract.

B. The county may declare a contractor to be non-responsible for purposes of a particular contract if the county, in its discretion, finds that the contractor has done any of the following: (1) violated a term of a contract with the county or a nonprofit corporation created by the county; (2) committed an act or omission which negatively reflects on the contractor's quality, fitness, or capacity to perform a contract with the county, any other public entity, or a nonprofit corporation created by the county, or engaged in a pattern or practice which negatively reflects on same; (3) committed an act or omission which indicates a lack of business integrity or business honesty; or (4) made or submitted a false claim against the county or any other public entity.

C. The decision by the county to find a contractor non-responsible for a particular contract is within the discretion of the county. The seriousness and extent of the contractor's acts, omissions, patterns, or practices as well as any relevant mitigating or aggravating factors, including those described in Subsection 2.202.040 (E) below, may be considered by the county in determining whether a contractor should be deemed non-responsible.

D. Before making a determination of non-responsibility pursuant to this chapter, the department head shall give written notice to the contractor of the basis for the proposed non-responsibility determination, and shall advise the contractor that a non-responsibility hearing will be scheduled on a date certain. Thereafter, the department head shall conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed non-responsibility determination is presented. The contractor and/or attorney or other authorized representative of the contractor shall be afforded an opportunity to appear at the non-responsibility hearing and to submit documentary evidence, present witnesses, and offer rebuttal evidence. After such hearing, the department head shall prepare a proposed decision, which shall contain a recommendation regarding whether the contractor should be found non-responsible with respect to the contract(s) at issue. A record of the hearing, the proposed decision, and any recommendation shall be presented to the board of supervisors.

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The board of supervisors may, in its discretion, limit any further hearing to the presentation of evidence not previously presented. The board of supervisors shall have the right to modify, deny, or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of the department head. A non-responsibility finding shall become final upon approval by the board of supervisors. (Ord. 2005-0066 § 3, 2005: Ord. 2004-0009 § 2, 2004: Ord. 2000-0011 § 1 (part), 2000.)

2.202.040 Debarment of contractors.

A. The county may debar a contractor who has had a contract with the county in the preceding three years and/or a contractor who has submitted a bid or proposal for a new contract with the county.

B. The county may debar a contractor if the county finds, in its discretion, that the contractor has done any of the following: (1) violated a term of a contract with the county or a nonprofit corporation created by the county; (2) committed an act or omission which negatively reflects on the contractor's quality, fitness, or capacity to perform a contract with the county, any other public entity, or a nonprofit corporation created by the county, or engaged in a pattern or practice which negatively reflects on same; (3) committed an act or omission which indicates a lack of business integrity or business honesty; or (4) made or submitted a false claim against the county or any other public entity.

C. The decision by the county to debar a contractor is within the discretion of the county. The seriousness and extent of the contractor's acts, omissions, patterns, or practices as well as any relevant mitigating or aggravating factors, including those described in Subsection (E) below, may be considered by the county in determining whether to debar a contractor and the period of debarment. Generally, the period of debarment should not exceed five years. However, if circumstances warrant, the county may impose a longer period of debarment up to and including permanent debarment.

D. To impose a debarment period of longer than five years, and up to and including permanent debarment, in addition to the grounds described in Subsection (B) above, the county shall further find that the contractor's acts or omissions are of such an extremely serious nature that removal of the contractor from future county contracting opportunities for the specified period is necessary to protect the county's interests.

E. Mitigating and aggravating factors that the county may consider in determining whether to debar a contractor and the period of debarment include but are not limited to:

- (1) The actual or potential harm or impact that results or may result from the wrongdoing.
- (2) The frequency and/or number of incidents and/or duration of the wrongdoing.
- (3) Whether there is a pattern or prior history of wrongdoing.
- (4) A contractor's overall performance record. For example, the county may evaluate the contractor's activity cited as the basis for the debarment in the broader context of the contractor's overall performance history.

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(5) Whether a contractor is or has been debarred, found non-responsible, or disqualified by another public entity on a basis of conduct similar to one or more of the grounds for debarment specified in this Section.

(6) Whether a contractor's wrongdoing was intentional or inadvertent. For example, the county may consider whether and to what extent a contractor planned, initiated, or carried out the wrongdoing.

(7) Whether a contractor has accepted responsibility for the wrongdoing and recognizes the seriousness of the misconduct that led to the grounds for debarment and/or has taken corrective action to cure the wrongdoing, such as establishing ethics training and implementing programs to prevent recurrence.

(8) Whether and to what extent a contractor has paid or agreed to pay criminal, civil, and administrative liabilities for the improper activity, and to what extent, if any, has the contractor made or agreed to make restitution.

(9) Whether a contractor has cooperated fully with the county during the investigation, and any court or administrative action. In determining the extent of cooperation, the county may consider when the cooperation began and whether the contractor disclosed all pertinent information known to the contractor.

(10) Whether the wrongdoing was pervasive within a contractor's organization.

(11) The positions held by the individuals involved in the wrongdoing.

(12) Whether a contractor's principals participated in, knew of, or tolerated the offense.

(13) Whether a contractor brought the activity cited as a basis for the debarment to the attention of the county in a timely manner.

(14) Whether a contractor has fully investigated the circumstances surrounding the cause for debarment and, if so, made the result of the investigation available to the county.

(15) Whether a contractor had effective standards of conduct and internal control systems in place at the time the questioned conduct occurred.

(16) Whether a contractor has taken appropriate disciplinary action against the individuals responsible for the activity which constitutes the cause for debarment.

(17) Other factors that are appropriate to the circumstances of a particular case.

F. Before making a debarment determination pursuant to this chapter, the department head shall give written notice to the contractor of the basis for the proposed debarment, and shall advise the contractor that a debarment hearing will be scheduled on a date certain. The contractor hearing board shall conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed debarment is presented. The contractor and/or attorney or other authorized representative must be given an opportunity to appear at the debarment hearing and to submit documentary evidence, present witnesses, and offer rebuttal evidence at that hearing. After such hearing, the contractor hearing board shall prepare a proposed decision, which shall contain a recommendation regarding whether the contractor should be debarred and, if so, the appropriate length of time for the debarment. A record of the hearing, the proposed decision, and any recommendation shall be presented to the board of supervisors. The board of supervisors may, in its discretion, limit any further hearing to the presentation of evidence not previously presented.

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The board of supervisors shall have the right to modify, deny, or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of the contractor hearing board. A debarment finding shall become final upon the approval of the board of supervisors.

G. In making a debarment determination, the board of supervisors may also, in its discretion and consistent with the terms of any existing contracts that the contractor may have with the county terminate any or all such existing contracts. In the event that any existing contract is terminated by the board of supervisors, the county shall maintain the right to pursue all other rights and remedies provided by the contract and/or applicable law.

H. With respect to a contractor who has been debarred for a period longer than five years, the contractor may, after the debarment has been in effect for at least five years, request that the county review the debarment determination to reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment. The county may consider a contractor's request to review a debarment determination based upon the following circumstances: (1) elimination of the grounds for which the debarment was imposed; (2) a bona fide change in ownership or management; (3) material evidence discovered after debarment was imposed; or (4) any other reason that is in the best interests of the county. A request for review shall be in writing, supported by documentary evidence, and submitted to the chair of the contractor hearing board. The chair of the contractor hearing board may either: 1) determine that the written request is insufficient on its face and deny the contractor's request for review; or (2) schedule the matter for consideration by the contractor hearing board which shall hold a hearing to consider the contractor's request for review, and, after the hearing, prepare a proposed decision and a recommendation to be presented to the board of supervisors. The board of supervisors may, in its discretion, limit any further hearing to the presentation of evidence not previously presented. The board of supervisors shall have the right to modify, deny, or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of the contractor hearing board. A reduction of the period of the debarment or termination of the debarment shall become final upon the approval of the board of supervisors. (Ord. 2005-0066 § 4, 2005: Ord. 2004-0009 § 3, 2004: Ord. 2000-0011 § 1 (part), 2000.)

2.202.050 Pre-emption.

In the event any contract is subject to federal and/or state laws that are inconsistent with the terms of the ordinance codified in this chapter, such laws shall control. (Ord. 2000-0011 § 1 (part), 2000.)

2.202.060 Severability.

If any section, subsection, subpart or provision of this chapter, or the application thereof to any person or circumstances, is held invalid, the remainder of the provisions of this chapter and the application of such to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby. (Ord. 2000-0011 § 1 (part), 2000.)

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The Board of Supervisors finds that significant revenues are lost each year as a result of taxpayers who fail to pay their tax obligations on time. The delinquencies impose an economic burden upon the County and its taxpayers. Therefore, the Board of Supervisors establishes the goal of ensuring that individuals and businesses that benefit financially from contracts with the County fulfill their property tax obligation. (Ord. No. 2009-0026 § 1 (part), 2009.)

2.206.020 Definitions.

The following definitions shall be applicable to this chapter:

- A. "Contractor" shall mean any person, firm, corporation, partnership, or combination thereof, which submits a bid or proposal or enters into a contract or agreement with the County.
- B. "County" shall mean the county of Los Angeles or any public entities for which the Board of Supervisors is the governing body.
- C. "County Property Taxes" shall mean any property tax obligation on the County's secured or unsecured roll; except for tax obligations on the secured roll with respect to property held by a Contractor in a trust or fiduciary capacity or otherwise not beneficially owned by the Contractor.
- D. "Department" shall mean the County department, entity, or organization responsible for the solicitation and/or administration of the contract.
- E. "Default" shall mean any property tax obligation on the secured roll that has been deemed defaulted by operation of law pursuant to California Revenue and Taxation Code section 3436; or any property tax obligation on the unsecured roll that remains unpaid on the applicable delinquency date pursuant to California Revenue and Taxation Code section 2922; except for any property tax obligation dispute pending before the Assessment Appeals Board.
- F. "Solicitation" shall mean the County's process to obtain bids or proposals for goods and services.
- G. "Treasurer-Tax Collector" shall mean the Treasurer and Tax Collector of the County of Los Angeles. (Ord. No. 2009-0026 § 1 (part), 2009.)

2.206.030 Applicability.

This chapter shall apply to all solicitations issued 60 days after the effective date of the ordinance codified in this chapter. This chapter shall also apply to all new, renewed, extended, and/or amended contracts entered into 60 days after the effective date of the ordinance codified in this chapter. (Ord. No. 2009-0026 § 1 (part), 2009.)

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2.206.040 Required solicitation and contract language.

All solicitations and all new, renewed, extended, and/or amended contracts shall contain language which:

- A. Requires any Contractor to keep County Property Taxes out of Default status at all times during the term of an awarded contract;
- B. Provides that the failure of the Contractor to comply with the provisions in this chapter may prevent the Contractor from being awarded a new contract; and
- C. Provides that the failure of the Contractor to comply with the provisions in this chapter may constitute a material breach of an existing contract, and failure to cure the breach within 10 days of notice by the County by paying the outstanding County Property Tax or making payments in a manner agreed to and approved by the Treasurer-Tax Collector, may subject the contract to suspension and/or termination. (Ord. No. 2009-0026 § 1 (part), 2009.)

2.206.050 Administration and compliance certification.

- A. The Treasurer-Tax Collector shall be responsible for the administration of this chapter. The Treasurer-Tax Collector shall, with the assistance of the Chief Executive Officer, Director of Internal Services, and County Counsel, issue written instructions on the implementation and ongoing administration of this chapter. Such instructions may provide for the delegation of functions to other departments.
- B. Contractor shall be required to certify, at the time of submitting any bid or proposal to the County, or entering into any new contract, or renewal, extension or amendment of an existing contract with the County, that it is in compliance with this chapter is not in Default on any County Property Taxes or is current in payments due under any approved payment arrangement. (Ord. No. 2009-0026 § 1 (part), 2009.)

2.206.060 Exclusions/Exemptions.

A. This chapter shall not apply to the following contracts:

- 1. Chief Executive Office delegated authority agreements under \$50,000;
- 2. A contract where federal or state law or a condition of a federal or state program mandates the use of a particular contractor;
- 3. A purchase made through a state or federal contract;
- 4. A contract where state or federal monies are used to fund service related programs, including but not limited to voucher programs, foster care, or other social programs that provide immediate direct assistance;
- 5. Purchase orders under a master agreement, where the Contractor was certified at the time the master agreement was entered into and at any subsequent renewal, extension and/or amendment to the master agreement.
- 6. Purchase orders issued by Internal Services Department under \$100,000 that is not the result of a competitive bidding process.
- 7. Program agreements that utilize Board of Supervisors' discretionary funds;
- 8. National contracts established for the purchase of equipment and supplies for and by the National Association of Counties, U.S. Communities Government Purchasing Alliance, or any similar related group purchasing organization;
- 9. A monopoly purchase that is exclusive and proprietary to a specific manufacturer, distributor, reseller, and must match and inter-member with existing supplies, equipment or systems maintained by the county pursuant to the Los Angeles Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, section P-3700 or a successor provision;

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10. A revolving fund (petty cash) purchase pursuant to the Los Angeles County Fiscal Manual, section 4.6.0 or a successor provision;
11. A purchase card purchase pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, section P-2810 or a successor provision;
12. A non-agreement purchase worth a value of less than \$5,000 pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, section A-0300 or a successor provision; or
13. A bona fide emergency purchase pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual section P-0900 or a successor provision;
14. Other contracts for mission critical goods and/or services where the Board of Supervisors determines that an exemption is justified.

B. Other laws. This chapter shall not be interpreted or applied to any Contractor in a manner inconsistent with the laws of the United States or California. (Ord. No. 2009-0026 § 1 (part), 2009.)

2.206.070 Enforcement and remedies.

- A. The information furnished by each Contractor certifying that it is in compliance with this chapter shall be under penalty of perjury.
- B. No Contractor shall willfully and knowingly make a false statement certifying compliance with this chapter for the purpose of obtaining or retaining a County contract.
- C. For Contractor's violation of any provision of this chapter, the County department head responsible for administering the contract may do one or more of the following:
 1. Recommend to the Board of Supervisors the termination of the contract; and/or,
 2. Pursuant to chapter 2.202, seek the debarment of the contractor; and/or,
 3. Recommend to the Board of Supervisors that an exemption is justified pursuant to Section 2.206.060.A.14 of this chapter or payment deferral as provided pursuant to the California Revenue and Taxation Code. (Ord. No. 2009-0026 § 1 (part), 2009.)

2.206.080 Severability.

If any provision of this chapter is found invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect. (Ord. No. 2009-0026 § 1 (part), 2009.)

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**CALIFORNIA COASTAL COMMISSION CONSULTANT SERVICES
OFFER TO PERFORM / PRICE PROPOSAL**

Proposer: Name: _____
Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

To: Santos H. Kreimann, Director, Department of Beaches and Harbors

Proposer, responding to the Request for Proposals (RFP) issued by the Los Angeles County Department of Beaches and Harbors, offers to provide Coastal Commission consultant services on the terms and conditions for the performance of this work that are set forth in the RFP. Such services shall be performed during a three-year term and at the sole discretion of the Director may be extended for two additional, consecutive, optional Contract years. The two one-year options shall be exercised separately in succession. The Director, at his sole discretion, may also extend the final Contract term on a month-to-month basis for up to six months.

The compensation for Proposer's services shall be in accordance with the hourly rates set forth for such work on page 2 of this form, subject to the limitations provided in the Contract.

This offer shall be irrevocable for a period of 180 days after the final date for submission.

Proposer is a(n): individual corporation partnership or joint venture limited liability company other: _____

State of organization: _____ Principal place of business: _____

Out of state vendor's authorized agent for service of process in California:

Name _____ Address _____ Phone _____

The Proposer represents that the person executing this offer and the following persons are individually authorized to commit the Proposer in any matter pertaining to the proposed Contract:

Name Title Phone

Name Title Phone

Proposer's signature: _____

Date: _____

Name Title Phone

PRICE PROPOSAL

- i The price proposal will be used for assignment of Work Order and billing (invoice) purposes. Because the County may require increases or decreases in Coastal Commission Consultant Services during the term of the Contract, the annual compensation may vary from contract year to year. Coastal Commission Consultant Services will be compensated at the quoted hourly rates.
- i The first column represents Proposer and/or Proposer’s staff who will perform the duties stipulated in the Statement of Work.
- i The next column, “Proposed Hourly Price (Cost to the County)”, will be used for Proposal Price evaluation purposes. The total should equal the Proposer’s expected hourly compensation for providing the services. This will also be used for increased or reduced services in those instances warranting a change in a Work Order when additional work is authorized by the Director. The County will not pay any overtime rate for this contract service.

PRICE PROPOSAL	
The cost of providing all contractual services and support staff, as well as overhead, material, subcontractors, equipment purchase/rental, permit fees, risk items or any other expenses to provide this service should be reflected in the quoted hourly price identified below.	
POSITION	PROPOSED HOURLY PRICE (COST TO COUNTY)
Principal Planning Consultant	\$
Other:	\$
1.	\$
2.	\$
3.	\$
4.	\$
5.	\$

PROPOSER'S ORGANIZATION QUESTIONNAIRE/AFFIDAVIT

Please complete, date and sign this form. The person signing the form must be authorized to sign on behalf of the Proposer and to bind the applicant in a Contract.

1. If your firm is a corporation or limited liability company (LLC), state its legal name (as found in your Articles of Incorporation) and State of incorporation:

Name	State	Year Inc.
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2. If your firm is a limited partnership or a sole proprietorship, state the name of the proprietor or managing partner:

3. If your firm is doing business under one or more DBA's, please list all DBA's and the County(s) of registration:

Name	County of Registration	Year became DBA
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

4. Is your firm wholly or majority owned by, or a subsidiary of, another firm? ____ if yes,

Name of parent firm: _____

State of incorporation or registration of parent firm: _____

5. Please list any other names your firm has done business as within the last five (5) years.

Name	Year of Name Change
_____	_____
_____	_____

6. Indicate if your firm is involved in any pending acquisition/merger, including the associated company name. If not applicable, so indicate below.

Proposer acknowledges and certifies that it meets and will comply with all of the Minimum Mandatory Requirements listed in Section 1.4 – Minimum Mandatory Requirements, of this Request for Proposal, as listed below.

Check the appropriate boxes:

- ± **Yes** ± **No** Proposer and/or principal owners must have a minimum of five years' experience in consulting with public and private sector developers on CCC proceedings on Local Coastal Program Amendments and coastal permits.
- ± **Yes** ± **No** Proposer must demonstrate knowledge and experience with the CCC, including CCC's history, governing law, regulations, staff and rulings.
- ± **Yes** ± **No** Proposer must complete and return Forms P-1 - P-19.

Proposer further acknowledges that if any false, misleading, incomplete, or deceptively unresponsive statements in connection with this proposal are made, the proposal may be rejected. The evaluation and determination in this area shall be at the Director's sole judgment and his/her judgment shall be final.

Proposer's Name:

Address:

E-mail address: _____ Telephone number: _____

Fax number: _____

On behalf of _____ (Proposer's name), I _____
(Name of Proposer's authorized representative), certify that the information contained in this Proposer's
Organization Questionnaire/Affidavit is true and correct to the best of my information and belief.

Signature

Internal Revenue Service
Employer Identification Number

Title

California Business License Number

Date

County WebVen Number

PROSPECTIVE CONTRACTOR LIST OF CONTRACTS

Contractor's Name: _____

List of all public entities for which the Contractor has provided service within the last three (3) years. Use additional sheets if necessary.

1. Name of Firm	Address of Firm	Contact Person	Telephone # ()	Fax # ()
Name or Contract No.	# of Years / Term of Contract		Type of Service	Dollar Amt.
2. Name of Firm	Address of Firm	Contact Person	Telephone # ()	Fax # ()
Name or Contract No.	# of Years / Term of Contract		Type of Service	Dollar Amt.
3. Name of Firm	Address of Firm	Contact Person	Telephone # ()	Fax # ()
Name or Contract No.	# of Years / Term of Contract		Type of Service	Dollar Amt.
4. Name of Firm	Address of Firm	Contact Person	Telephone # ()	Fax # ()
Name or Contract No.	# of Years / Term of Contract		Type of Service	Dollar Amt.
5. Name of Firm	Address of Firm	Contact Person	Telephone # ()	Fax # ()
Name or Contract No.	# of Years / Term of Contract		Type of Service	Dollar Amt.

PROSPECTIVE CONTRACTOR LIST OF TERMINATED CONTRACTS

Contractor's Name: _____

List of all contracts that have been terminated within the past three (3) years.

1. Name of Firm	Address of Firm	Contact Person	Telephone # ()	Fax # ()
Name or Contract No.		Reason for Termination:		
2. Name of Firm	Address of Firm	Contact Person	Telephone # ()	Fax # ()
Name or Contract No.		Reason for Termination:		
3. Name of Firm	Address of Firm	Contact Person	Telephone # ()	Fax # ()
Name or Contract No.		Reason for Termination:		
4. Name of Firm	Address of Firm	Contact Person	Telephone # ()	Fax # ()
Name or Contract No.		Reason for Termination:		

BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL SUMMARY

- 1. BACKGROUND.** Provide a summary description of your relevant background information demonstrating your firm's capacity to perform the required Contract work.
- 2. EXPERIENCE.** Provide your experience consulting with public and private sector developers on California Coastal Commission proceedings on Local Coastal Program Amendments and coastal permits.
- 3. CLIENT REFERENCES.** List all experience your firm has had in the past five years performing California Coastal Commission consultant services. At least five years' experience must be demonstrated. **At a minimum, five references should be submitted.**

Start of Contract	End of Contract	Name of Client	Address of Client	Contact Person	Contact's Ph. No.

Attach additional pages if necessary

4. PROPOSER'S QUALIFICATIONS:

- a. Proposer shall attach a written description of one or more specific issues involving the CCC in which Proposer played a key role, including a description of the issue, strategy used to address the CCC's interests, recommendations and result of the issue(s).
- b. Proposer shall demonstrate its knowledge of the California Coastal Commission (CCC), including history of the CCC, governing law, regulations, staff and rulings; and
- c. Proposer shall demonstrate its experience in working with key representatives and members of the CCC.

5. How many full-time employees does your firm employ? _____

6. Attach an organizational chart or describe the organization of your firm:

7. CREDIT REFERENCES. List at least three recent credit or financial references:

Name	Address	Business Relationship	Contact Person	Phone Number

8. EVIDENCE OF INSURABILITY. Attach a letter of commitment, binder or certificate of current insurance coverage meeting the limits and other requirements of Section 2.25 of the Sample Contract.

9. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (Attach additional pages if necessary):

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Title: _____

STAFFING AND WORK PLAN

1a. STAFFING PLAN: Please provide the requested information for staff, principals and subcontractors. Provide the names, experience and responsibilities of those staff that will be responsible for supervising the Contract work. **Attach each person's resume.**

Position	Name	Experience	Responsibility
Principal Planning Consultant			
Senior Project Manager			
Senior Planner			
Contractor's Representative			
Other:			

1b. PRINCIPAL OWNER(S) OF PROPOSER'S ORGANIZATION _____

1c. IDENTIFY PARTNERS/SUBCONTRACTORS

Principal	Firm Name	Relationship to Proposer	Specialty	Address	Phone

1d. ADDITIONAL EMPLOYEES: Provide the job titles and number of employees (other than supervisors identified in 1a) who will be responsible for complying with the Contract requirements.

TITLE	NUMBER	RESPONSIBILITIES

Attach additional pages if necessary

2. APPROACH TO CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS:

Services to be provided. Please provide a narrative of Proposer's approach to the duties and tasks described in Section 6.0, Attachment B, Statement of Work.

QUALITY CONTROL PLAN

Proposer shall establish and utilize a comprehensive Quality Control plan to assure a consistently high level of service throughout the term of the Contract. The plan shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

1. Describe the monitoring methods to ensure compliance with the Contract work requirements.
 - A plan for reviewing the work of Proposer and Proposer's employees and ensuring its accuracy and compliance with professional standards;
 - A plan for ensuring that interim deadlines, if any, and delivery dates are met;
 - The methods for identifying and preventing unsatisfactory performance of the Contract work; and
2. Describe the frequency of monitoring conducted. Who will perform the monitoring?
3. Describe the steps taken to correct deficiencies reported by the Department.
4. Describe your response time to complaints received from the Department.
5. Describe your documentation methods of all monitoring results, including any corrective action taken.
6. Provide samples of forms to be used in monitoring.
7. If available, please attach your firm's written quality control plan.

PROPOSER'S EEO CERTIFICATION

Company Name

Address

Internal Revenue Service Employer Identification Number

GENERAL

In accordance with provisions of the County Code of the County of Los Angeles, the Proposer certifies and agrees that all persons employed by such firm, its affiliates, subsidiaries, or holding companies are and will be treated equally by the firm without regard to or because of race, religion, ancestry, national origin, or sex and in compliance with all anti-discrimination laws of the United States of America and the State of California.

CERTIFICATION	YES	NO
1. Proposer has a written policy statement prohibiting discrimination in all phases of employment.	()	()
2. Proposer periodically conducts a self-analysis or utilization analysis of its work force.	()	()
3. Proposer has a system for determining if its employment practices are discriminatory against protected groups.	()	()
4. When problem areas are identified in employment practices, Proposer has a system for taking reasonable corrective action to include establishment of goals and/or timetables.	()	()

Signature

Date

Name and Title of Signer (Please Print)

**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEE JURY SERVICE PROGRAM
CERTIFICATION FORM AND APPLICATION FOR EXCEPTION**

The County's solicitation for this Request for Proposals is subject to the County of Los Angeles Contractor Employee Jury Service Program (Program), Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.203. All proposers, whether a contractor or subcontractor, must complete this form to either certify compliance or request an exception from the Program requirements. Upon review of the submitted form, the County department will determine, in its sole discretion, whether the proposer is excepted from the Program.

Company Name:		
Company Address:		
City:	State:	Zip Code:
Telephone Number:		
Solicitation For _____ Services:		

If you believe the Jury Service Program does not apply to your business, check the appropriate box in Part I (attach documentation to support your claim); or, complete Part II to certify compliance with the Program. Whether you complete Part I or Part II, please sign and date this form below.

Part I: Jury Service Program is Not Applicable to My Business

- My business does not meet the definition of "contractor," as defined in the Program, as it has not received an aggregate sum of \$50,000 or more in any 12-month period under one or more County contracts or subcontracts (this exception is not available if the contract itself will exceed \$50,000). I understand that the exception will be lost and I must comply with the Program if my revenues from the County exceed an aggregate sum of \$50,000 in any 12-month period.
- My business is a small business as defined in the Program. It 1) has ten or fewer employees; and, 2) has annual gross revenues in the preceding twelve months which, if added to the annual amount of this contract, are \$500,000 or less; and, 3) is not an affiliate or subsidiary of a business dominant in its field of operation, as defined below. I understand that the exception will be lost and I must comply with the Program if the number of employees in my business and my gross annual revenues exceed the above limits.

"Dominant in its field of operation" means having more than ten employees and annual gross revenues in the preceding twelve months, which, if added to the annual amount of the contract awarded, exceed \$500,000.

"Affiliate or subsidiary of a business dominant in its field of operation" means a business which is at least 20 percent owned by a business dominant in its field of operation, or by partners, officers, directors, majority stockholders, or their equivalent, of a business dominant in that field of operation.

- My business is subject to a Collective Bargaining Agreement (attach agreement) that expressly provides that it supersedes all provisions of the Program.

OR

Part II: Certification of Compliance

- My business has and adheres to a written policy that provides, on an annual basis, no less than five days of regular pay for actual jury service for full-time employees of the business who are also California residents, **or** my company will have and adhere to such a policy prior to award of the contract.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information stated above is true and correct.

Print Name:	Title:
Signature:	Date:

CERTIFICATION OF NO CONFLICT OF INTEREST

The Los Angeles County Code, Section 2.180.010, provides as follows:

CONTRACTS PROHIBITED

Notwithstanding any other section of this Code, the County shall not contract with, and shall reject any proposals submitted by, the persons or entities specified below, unless the Board of Supervisors finds that special circumstances exist which justify the approval of such contract:

1. Employees of the County or of public agencies for which the Board of Supervisors is the governing body;
2. Profit-making firms or businesses in which employees described in number 1 serve as officers, principals, partners, or major shareholders;
3. Persons who, within the immediately preceding 12 months, came within the provisions of number 1, and who:
 - a. Were employed in positions of substantial responsibility in the area of service to be performed by the contract; or
 - b. Participated in any way in developing the contract or its service specifications; and
4. Profit-making firms or businesses in which the former employees, described in number 3, serve as officers, principals, partners, or major shareholders.

Contracts submitted to the Board of Supervisors for approval or ratification shall be accompanied by an assurance by the submitting department, district or agency that the provisions of this section have not been violated.

Proposer Name

Proposer Official Title

Official's Signature

ATTESTATION OF WILLINGNESS TO CONSIDER GAIN/GROW PARTICIPANTS

As a threshold requirement for consideration for contract award, Proposer shall demonstrate a proven record for hiring GAIN/GROW participants or shall attest to a willingness to consider GAIN/GROW participants for any future employment opening if they meet the minimum qualifications for that opening. Additionally, Proposer shall attest to a willingness to provide employed GAIN/GROW participants access to the Proposer's employee mentoring program, if available, to assist these individuals in obtaining permanent employment and/or promotional opportunities.

Proposers unable to meet this requirement shall not be considered for contract award.

Proposer shall complete all of the following information, sign where indicated below, and return this form with their proposal.

A. Proposer has a proven record of hiring GAIN/GROW participants.

_____ YES (subject to verification by County)/ _____ NO

B. Proposer is willing to consider GAIN/GROW participants for any future employment openings if the GAIN/GROW participant meets the minimum qualifications for the opening. "Consider" means that Proposer is willing to interview qualified GAIN/GROW participants.

_____ YES _____ NO

C. Proposer is willing to provide employed GAIN/GROW participants access to its employee-mentoring program, if available.

_____ YES _____ NO _____ N/A (Program not available)

Proposer Organization: _____

Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

Title: _____ Date: _____

Tel. #: _____ Fax #: _____

FAMILIARITY WITH THE COUNTY LOBBYIST ORDINANCE CERTIFICATION

The Proposer certifies that:

- 1) it is familiar with the terms of the County of Los Angeles Lobbyist Ordinance, Los Angeles Code Chapter 2.160;
- 2) that all persons acting on behalf of the Proposer's organization have and will comply with it during the proposal process; and
- 3) it is not on the County's Executive Office's List of Terminated Registered Lobbyists.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

**CERTIFICATION OF INDEPENDENT PRICE DETERMINATION
AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RFP RESTRICTIONS**

- A. By submission of this Proposal, Proposer certifies that the prices quoted herein have been arrived at independently without consultation, communication, or agreement with any other Proposer or competitor for the purpose of restricting competition.
- B. List all name(s) and telephone number(s) of person legally authorized to commit the Proposer.

NAME	PHONE NUMBER
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

NOTE: Persons signing on behalf of the Contractor will be required to warrant that they are authorized to bind the Contractor.

- C. List names of all joint ventures, partners, subcontractors, or others having any right or interest in this contract or the proceeds thereof. If not applicable, state "NONE".

- D. Proposer acknowledges that it has not participated as a consultant in the development, preparation, or selection process associated with this RFP. Proposer understands that if it is determined by the County that the Proposer did participate as a consultant in this RFP process, the County shall reject this proposal.

Name of Firm

Print Name of Signer

Title

Signature

Date

**Request for Local SBE Preference Program Consideration and
CBE Firm/Organization Information Form**

INSTRUCTIONS: All proposers/bidders responding to this solicitation must complete and return this form for proper consideration of the proposal/bid.

I. LOCAL SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PREFERENCE PROGRAM:

FIRM NAME: _____
COUNTY VENDOR NUMBER: _____

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- As a Local SBE, certified by the County of Los Angeles, Internal Services Department, I request this proposal/bid be considered for the Local SBE Preference.
 - Attached is my Local SBE Certification letter issued by the County
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II. FIRM/ORGANIZATION INFORMATION: The information requested below is for statistical purposes only. On final analysis and consideration of award, contractor/vendor will be selected without regard to race/ethnicity, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, sexual orientation or disability.

Business Structure: <input type="checkbox"/> Sole Proprietorship <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Profit <input type="checkbox"/> Franchise <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Please Specify) _____						
Total Number of Employees (including owners): _____						
Race/Ethnic Composition of Firm. Please distribute the above total number of individuals into the following categories:						
Race/Ethnic Composition	Owners/Partners/ Associate Partners		Managers		Staff	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
Black/African American						
Hispanic/Latino						
Asian or Pacific Islander						
American Indian						
Filipino						
White						

III. PERCENTAGE OF OWNERSHIP IN FIRM: Please indicate by percentage (%) how ownership of the firm is distributed.

	Black/African American	Hispanic/Latino	Asian or Pacific Islander	American Indian	Filipino	White
Men	%	%	%	%	%	%
Women	%	%	%	%	%	%

IV. CERTIFICATION AS MINORITY, WOMEN, DISADVANTAGED, AND DISABLED VETERAN BUSINESS ENTERPRISES:

If your firm is currently certified as a minority, women, disadvantaged or disabled veteran owned business enterprise by a public agency, complete the following and attach a copy of your proof of certification. (Use back of form, if necessary.)

Agency Name	Minority	Women	Dis-advantaged	Disabled Veteran	Expiration Date

V. DECLARATION: I DECLARE UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA THAT THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS TRUE AND ACCURATE.

Print Authorized Name	Authorized Signature	Title	Date
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TRANSITIONAL JOB OPPORTUNITIES PREFERENCE APPLICATION

COMPANY NAME:		
COMPANY ADDRESS:		
CITY:	STATE:	ZIP CODE:

I hereby certify that I meet all the requirements for this program:

- My business is a non-profit corporation qualified under Internal Revenue Services Code - Section 501(c)(3) and has been such for 3 years (*attach IRS Determination Letter*);
- I have submitted my three most recent annual tax returns with my application;
- I have been in operation for at least one year providing transitional job and related supportive services to program participants; and
- I have submitted a profile of our program; including a description of its components designed to help the program participants, number of past program participants and any other information requested by the contracting department.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information herein is true and correct.

PRINT NAME:	TITLE:
SIGNATURE:	DATE:

REVIEWED BY COUNTY:

SIGNATURE OF REVIEWER	APPROVED	DISAPPROVED	DATE

**CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE COUNTY'S
DEFAULTED PROPERTY TAX REDUCTION PROGRAM**

Company Name:		
Company Address:		
City:	State:	Zip Code:
Telephone Number:	Email address:	
Solicitation/Contract For _____ Services:		

The Proposer/Bidder/Contractor certifies that:

It is familiar with the terms of the County of Los Angeles Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program, Los Angeles County Code Chapter 2.206; **AND**

To the best of its knowledge, after a reasonable inquiry, the Proposer/Bidder/Contractor is not in default, as that term is defined in Los Angeles County Code Section 2.206.020.E, on any Los Angeles County property tax obligation; **AND**

The Proposer/Bidder/Contractor agrees to comply with the County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program during the term of any awarded contract.

- OR -

I am exempt from the County of Los Angeles Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program, pursuant to Los Angeles County Code Section 2.206.060, for the following reason:

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information stated above is true and correct.

Print Name:	Title:
Signature:	Date:

Date: _____

CONTRACTOR'S ADMINISTRATION

CONTRACTOR'S NAME: _____

CONTRACTOR'S CONTRACT REPRESENTATIVE:

Name: _____
Title: _____
Address: _____

Telephone: _____
Facsimile: _____
E-Mail Address: _____

CONTRACTOR'S AUTHORIZED OFFICIAL(S)

Name: _____
Title: _____
Address: _____

Telephone: _____
Facsimile: _____
E-Mail Address: _____

Name: _____
Title: _____
Address: _____

Telephone: _____
Facsimile: _____
E-Mail Address: _____

Notices to Contractor shall be sent to the following:

Name: _____
Title: _____
Address: _____

Telephone: _____
Facsimile: _____
E-Mail Address: _____

RFP EXCEPTION FORM

Proposer's Name _____
Address _____
Telephone _____ Fax _____
E-mail Address _____

- I have reviewed the RFP, Attachments, Exhibits and Forms in its entirety and have **NO** exceptions.

- I have reviewed the RFP, Attachments, Exhibits and Forms in its entirety and **have the following exceptions:**

Exceptions:

Clearly identify and list your exception(s) by indicating the Section, Paragraph Number and Page Number on the document. Attach additional pages as needed.

Print Name _____

Signature _____

Date _____